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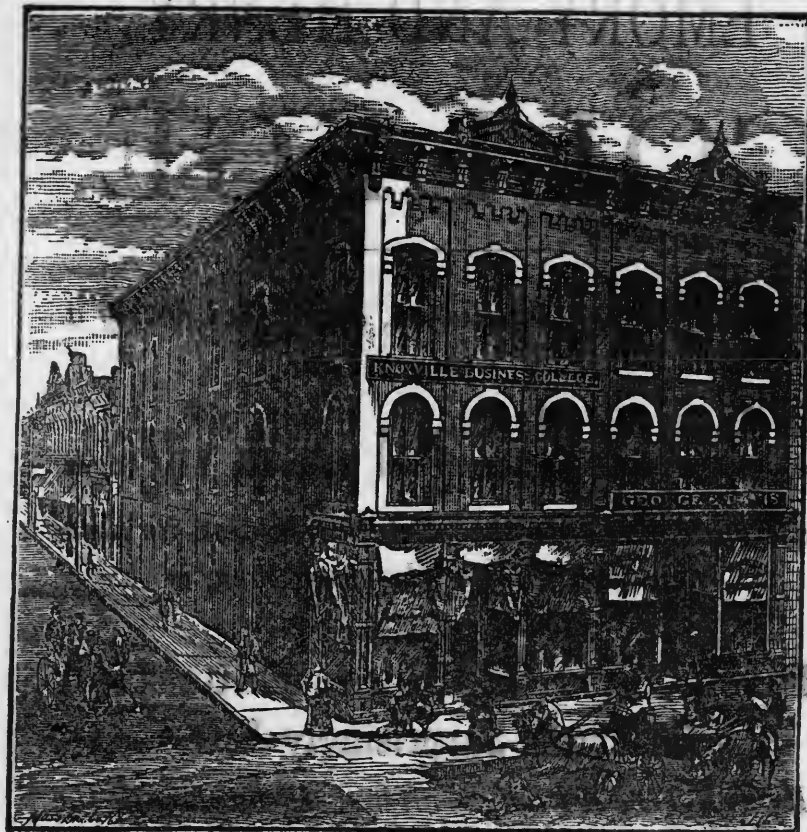
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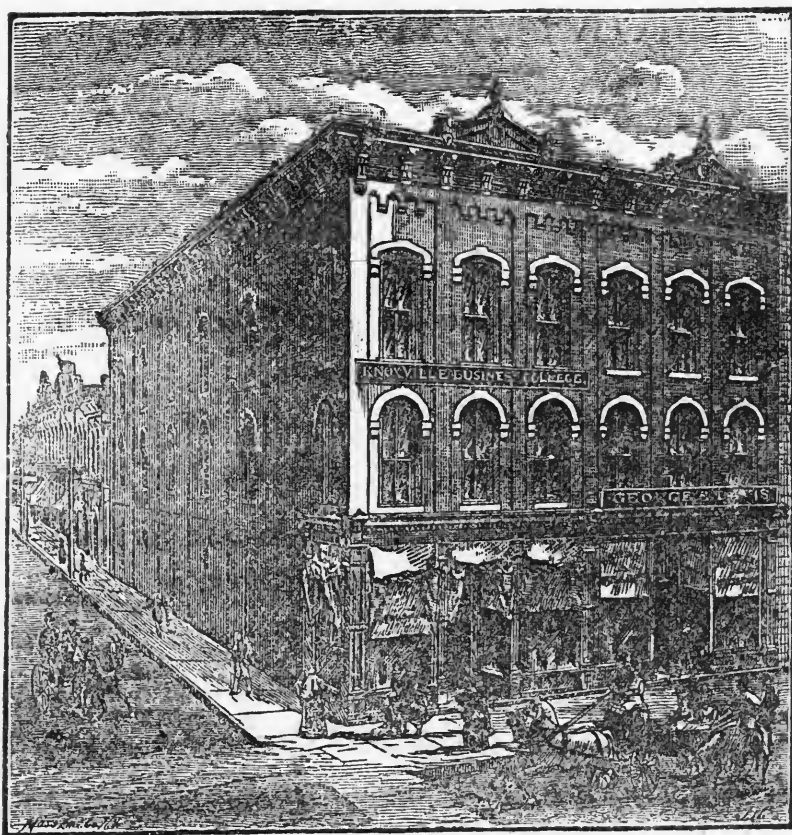
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PREFACE.

No one, without experience, knows a tithe of the difficulties and labor of editing, even such a pamphlet as this.

We have *learned*, hence this preface.

We desire to escape captious criticism.

This may be done, perhaps, by a word of explanation. In this we will point out some sources of errors, and thus distribute the blame. Attention will also be called to some of the graver mistakes, that you may correct them in your copy. Errors are found in some of the original reports of the preachers. They occur in hastily prepared reports of Conference Committees. Some are typographical, escaping the eye of the proof-reader. There are errors in this number to be attributed to these and to other sources.

1st. Our title-page cover, in the first part of our edition, says No. 12 instead of No. 13. Fortunately, it was discovered and corrected for the last of the issue. The number is correct on inside title-page.

2nd. The contributions from the various charges for Church Extension do not appear. They never appeared to the Secretary.

3rd. The report of the Board of Missions was received at the very last moment, and after it was in print, the Secretary writes: "There are two omissions in appropriations for Jeffersonville District. For Presiding Elder, \$125.00; for McDowell Mission, \$90.00." There is no report of the organization of the Board for the ensuing year, so we must depend on rumor for the officers of the Board.

4th. The Conference Directory is imperfect. We urged the brethren through *The Holston Methodist* to send in their post-office address. We had just two responses. By this neglect, our work was increased tenfold, as was also the liability to mistakes.

5th. Rev. C. S. Bird was transferred to Florida Conference instead of South Carolina Conference as appears in the minutes. We lay exclusive claim to this last mistake.

Our printers have done well. Our page is clean, our print clear.

A word as to our advertisers.

We have not very many this year, but they are choice. Every house advertised in this ANNUAL is worthy.

We bespeak, for our advertisers, the patronage of our readers.

In conclusion: We pay full price for this page. We do not spare our pocket, trusting our brethren, in their criticisms, will spare us.

W. C. CARDEN.

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—FOR—

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FALL TERM begins September 10th, 1885.

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EXPENSES FOR TERM OF TWENTY WEEKS :

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TUITION—In Collegiate Department.....	30 00
	<hr/> \$ 110 00

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Vocal Music (Special Lessons).....	25 00
Theory (in class—required of all pupils in music).....	2 50
Use of Piano or Organ—one hour a day.....	2 50
Painting.....	20 00
Drawing.....	15 00
The expenses, then, of a boarding pupil in the regular course of graduation without music or art studies, for a term of twenty weeks, will be.....	110 00
The same, with either instrumental or vocal music in addition, including instruction in theory and use of piano.....	140 00
The same, with both instrumental and vocal music, &c., in addition.....	165 00
The same, with Painting only in addition.....	130 00
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Showing Date, Place, President and Secretary of Each.

No.	Place of the Session.	Date of Beginning.	President.	Secretary.
1	Knoxville, Tenn	Nov. 27, 1824	Bishop Roberts	John Tevis.
2	Jonesboro, Tenn	Oct. 20, 1825	Bishops Roberts and Soule	T. Stringfield.
3	Abingdon, Va	Nov. 2, 1826	Bishop Soule	
4	Knoxville, Tenn	Nov. 1, 1827	Bishop Roberts	E. F. Sevier.
5	Jonesboro, Tenn	Nov. 14, 1828	Bishop Soule	E. F. Sevier.
6	Abingdon, Va	Dec. 24, 1829	Bishop Soule	E. F. Sevier.
7	Ebenezer Ch, Tenn	Nov. 4, 1830	Bishops McKendree and Soule	E. F. Sevier.
8	Athens, Tenn	Nov. 10, 1831	Bishop Hedding	F. F. Sevier.
9	Evansham, Va	Nov. 15, 1832	Bishop Emory	T. Stringfield.
10	Kingsport, Tenn	Oct. 16, 1833	Bishop Roberts	L. S. Marshall.
11	Knoxville, Tenn	Oct. 8, 1834	J. Henniger	L. S. Marshall.
12	Abingdon, Va	Oct. 7, 1835	Bishop Andrew	L. S. Marshall.
13	Reams' Creek, N. C	Oct. 2, 1836	Bishop Andrew	L. S. Marshall.
14	Madisonville, Tenn	Oct. 18, 1837	Bishop Morris	L. S. Marshall.
15	Wytheville, Va	Nov. 14, 1838	Bishop Andrew	L. S. Marshall.
16	Greeneville, Tenn	Oct. 30, 1839	T. K. Catlett	D. R. McAnally.
17	La Fayette, Ga.	Nov. 11, 1840	Bishop Morris	E. F. Sevier.
18	Rogersville, Tenn	Oct. 6, 1841	S. Patton	E. F. Sevier.
19	Knoxville, Tenn	Oct. 5, 1842	Bishop Waugh	E. F. Sevier.
20	Abingdon, Va	Oct. 4, 1843	Bishop Morris	E. F. Sevier.
21	Reams' Creek, N. C	Oct. 9, 1844	Bishop James	E. F. Sevier.
22	Athens, Tenn	Oct. 8, 1845	Bishop Andrew	C. D. Smith.
23	Wytheville, Va	Oct. 21, 1846	Bishop Capers	C. D. Smith.
24	Jonesboro, Tenn	Oct. 20, 1847	Bishop Andrew	C. D. Smith.
25	Knoxville, Tenn	Oct. 11, 1848	Bishop Paine	C. D. Smith.
26	Cleveland, Tenn	Oct. 11, 1849	Bishop Andrew	E. F. Sevier.
27	Abingdon, Va	Oct. 2, 1850	Bishop Capers	D. R. McAnally.
28	Athens, Tenn	Oct. 7, 1851	Bishop Andrew	D. R. McAnally.
29	Asheville, N. C	Sept. 29, 1852	Bishop Capers	C. D. Smith.
30	Wytheville, Va	Oct. 12, 1853	Bishop Paine	W. C. Graves.
31	Cleveland, Tenn	Oct. 11, 1854	Bishop Pierce	W. C. Graves.
32	Jonesboro, Tenn	Nov. 14, 1855	Bishop Paine	W. C. Graves.
33	Knoxville, Tenn	Oct. 22, 1856	Bishop Andrew	W. C. Graves.
34	Marion, Va	Oct. 22, 1857	Bishop Early	W. C. Graves.
35	Chattanooga, Tenn	Oct. 6, 1858	Bishop Andrew	J. N. Huffaker.
36	Abingdon, Va	Oct. 26, 1859	Bishop Early	J. N. Huffaker.
37	Asheville, N. C	Oct. 17, 1860	Bishop Paine	D. Sullins.
38	Greeneville, Tenn	Oct. 9, 1861	Bishop Andrew	J. H. Brunner.
39	Athens, Tenn	Oct. 15, 1862	Bishop Early	J. H. Brunner.
40	Wytheville, Va	Oct. 7, 1863	Bishop Early	E. E. Wiley.
41	Bristol, Va.-Tenn	Oct. 19, 1864	Bishop Early	J. W. Dickey.
42	Marion, Va	Sept. 14, 1865	Bishop Early	J. W. Dickey.
43	Asheville, N. C	Oct. 10, 1866	Bishop McTyrie	J. H. Brunner.
44	Cleveland, Tenn	Oct. 23, 1867	Bishop Wightman	J. H. Brunner.
45	Knoxville, Tenn	Oct. 2, 1868	Bishop Wightman	R. N. Price.
46	Abingdon, Va	Sept. 22, 1869	Bishop Doggett	R. N. Price.
47	Wytheville, Va	Oct. 5, 1870	Bishop Kavanaugh	R. N. Price.
48	Morristown, Tenn	Oct. 18, 1871	Bishop Pierce	R. N. Price.
49	Chattanooga, Tenn	Oct. 23, 1872	Bishop Doggett	R. N. Price.
50	Marion, Va	Oct. 15, 1873	Bishop Keener	R. N. Price.
51	Asheville, N. C	Oct. 14, 1874	Bishop Doggett	F. Richardson.
52	Knoxville, Tenn	Oct. 20, 1875	Bishop McTyrie	F. Richardson.
53	Bristol, Va.-Tenn	Oct. 18, 1876	Bishop Wightman	F. Richardson.
54	Cleveland, Tenn	Oct. 24, 1877	Bishop Doggett	F. Richardson.
55	Knoxville, Tenn	Oct. 23, 1878	Bishop Kavanaugh	F. Richardson.
56	Abingdon, Va	Oct. 22, 1879	Bishop Pierce	F. Richardson.
57	Morristown, Tenn	Oct. 20, 1880	Bishop McTyrie	B. W. S. Bishop.
58	Wytheville, Va	Oct. 26, 1881	Bishop McTyrie	B. W. S. Bishop.
59	Asheville, N. C	Oct. 25, 1882	Bishop Wilson	B. W. S. Bishop.
60	Chattanooga, Tenn	Oct. 10, 1883	Bishop McTyrie	W. C. Carden.
61	Bristol, Va.-Tenn	Oct. 22, 1884	Bishop Keener	W. C. Carden.
62	Cleveland, Tenn	Oct. 21, 1885	Bishop Keener	W. C. Carden.

CONFERENCE ROLL, 1884-5.

Clerical Members entitled to seats at the session of 1885, in the order of their admittance into full connection ; also giving date of admittance.

Lay Members as elected by the District Conferences of 1885.

No.	Names.	Date.	No.	Names.	Date.
1	Timothy Sullins	1835	64	John S. W. Neel.....	1868
2	Canaro D. Smith	1839	65	Wm. W. Pyott	1868
3	William L. Turner	1839	66	Kennerly O. Atkins.....	1869
4	Ephraim E. Wiley	1843	67	Wm. W. Bays	1869
5	Jackson S. Burnett	1844	68	Daniel H. Carr	1869
6	W. G. E. Cunningham	1845	69	M. L. Clendenen.....	1869
7	Wm Robeson	1846	70	Robert H. Parker	1869
8	John Alley	1847	71	Tyre T. Salyer	1869
9	Robert W. Pickens	1847	72	Daniel Atkins	1870
10	Rufus M. Hickey	1847	73	L. L. H. Carlock	1870
11	James N. S. Huffaker	1848	74	E. Embree Hoss	1870
12	Wm. M. Kerr	1848	75	Wm. D. M. Tchell	1870
13	Wm. H. Bates	1848	76	David R. Smith	1870
14	Larkin W. Crouch	1848	77	Hezekiah W. Bays	1871
15	John H. Brunner	1849	78	James K. P. Ball	1871
16	John M. McTeer	1849	79	Benjamin O. Davis	1871
17	George W. Renfro	1849	80	George D. French	1871
18	James T. Smith	1849	81	Thomas R. Handy	1871
19	Wm. H. Kelley	1850	82	Casper E. Wiggins.....	1871
20	Riley A. Giddens.....	1851	83	Wm. C. Carden	1872
21	John D. Baldwin.....	1852	84	Robert E. Smith	1872
22	Richard N. Price.....	1852	85	W. R. Barnett	1873
23	David Sullins	1852	86	A. T. Brooks	1873
24	John Boring	1853	87	David W. Carter	1873
25	James R. Long	1853	88	George A. Frazier	1873
26	Sawell Ph illips	1853	89	John H. Keith	1873
27	James S. Kennedy	1854	90	John H. Parrott	1873
28	Grinsfield Taylor	1855	91	John H. Robinson	1873
29	Mitchell P. Swain	1855	92	John C. Runyan	1873
30	Frank Richardson	1856	93	George W. Simpson	1873
31	Thomas J. Pope	1856	94	James Atkins, Jr.	1874
32	George Stewart	1857	95	J. A. Bilderback	1874
33	George W. Miles	1857	96	Erastus H. Bogle	1874
34	John W. Bird	1857	97	Wm. H. Dawu	1874
35	Henry P. Waugh	1857	98	John R. Hixon	1874
36	James A. Davis	1857	99	John H. Kennedy	1874
37	Phillip S. Sutton	1857	100	S. T. McPherson	1874
38	B. W. S. Bishop	1858	101	Wm. H. Price	1874
39	Landon O. Delashmit	1858	102	J. Wesley Smith	1874
40	John R. Str dly	1858	103	John M. Wolf	1874
41	Thomas F. Glenn	1859	104	James I. Cash, Jr.	1875
42	William H. Cooper	1859	105	D. S. Hearon	1875
43	Samuel D. Gaines	1859	106	Ayres Kincaid	1875
44	John W. Bowman	1860	107	John W. Robertson	1875
45	Wm. P. Doane	1861	108	James K. Wolf	1875
46	George W. K. Greene	1861	109	David H. Dickey	1876
47	Wm B. Lyda	1861	110	James N. Lotspeich	1876
48	James Mahoney	1861	111	George C. Rankin	1876
49	Fle ming D. Crumley	1862	112	Wm. B. Reese	1876
50	Andrew J. Frazier	1862	113	Joseph P. Reynolds	1876
51	Charles K. Miller.....	1862	114	Morton S. Watts	1876
52	Euoch W. Moore	1862	115	Samuel S. Weatherly	1876
53	Levi K. Haynes	1863	116	W. D. Akers	1877
54	B. F. Nuckolls	1863	117	John R. Cunningham	1877
55	Jacob R. Payne	1863	118	Wm. W. Hicks	1877
56	Jacob Smith	1863	119	John D. Eickson.....	1877
57	Samuel R. Wheeler	1863	120	James A. Lyous	1877
57	John L. M. French	1864	121	John T. Stover	1877
59	Henry C. Neal	1864	122	John R. Stuart	1877
60	Tobias F. Smyth	1864	123	Carmine S. Bird	1878
61	Joseph A. Wiggins.....	1866	124	David H. Coman	1878
62	Charles T. Carroll	1867	125	John W. Carnes	1878
63	Jacob T. Frazier	1867	126	A. E. Householder.....	1878

Conference Roll, 1885—Continued.

No.	Names.	Date.	No.	Names.	Date.
127	W. L. Richardson	1878	144	James H. Weaver	1880
128	John R. Walker	1878	145	J. J. Brooks	1881
129	Harvey P. Bailey	1879	146	Joseph A. Crook	1881
130	Robert A. Hutsell	18 9	147	Boyd W. Fielder	1881
131	J. C. Lowe	1879	148	Wm. H. Horton	1881
132	George A. Maiden	1879	149	W. H. Leith (tr.)	1881
133	George W. Summers	1879	150	Samuel L. Richardson	1881
134	Wm. M. Belamy	1880	151	Wm. C. Farris	1882
135	Eugene Blake	1880	152	David McCracken	1882
136	Wm. M. Boring	1880	153	John E. Naff	1882
137	John C. Bays	1880	154	Jacob O. Shelley	1882
138	Richard A. Kelley	1880	155	John S. Bourne	1883
139	James L. Kennedy	1880	156	Arthur W. Curtis	1883
140	Emory B. Robertson	1880	157	Samuel H. Hillard	1883
141	W. A. Thomas	1880	158	L. M. Cartwright	1884
142	Joseph F. Wampler	1880	159	Hale S. Hamilton	1884
143	R. G. Waterhouse	1880	160	P. L. Terrell	1884

LAY DELEGATES.

No.	Names.	District.
1	H. S. Bowen	Wytheville.
2	J. B. Smith	"
3	T. C. Vaughan	"
4	S. M. Trauson	"
5	W. W. George	Jeffersonville.
6	J. D. Johnston	"
7	Joseph Stras	"
8	J. M. Romans	"
9	H. C. Bruce	Abingdon.
10	A. P. Gilmer	"
11	H. S. K. Morrison	"
12	J. L. Buchanan	"
13	W. G. Butler	Jonesboro.
14	J. B. Lotspeich	"
15	I. E. Reeves	"
16	J. B. White	"
17	H. C. T. Richmond	Morristown.
18	Ira L. Vaughn	"
19	W. P. Carriger	"
20	C. T. Duncan	"
21	John E. Chapman	Knoxville.
22	W. C. Murphy	"
23	Silas Sharpe	"
24	C. W. Cross	"
25	John K. Brown	Chattanooga.
26	W. H. Killian	"
27	J. P. Davis	"
28	J. B. Wirt	"
29	A. P. Mitchell	Sequatchee.
30	O. C. Fisher	"
31	J. A. Darr	"
32	J. H. Thomas	"
33	C. B. Way	Asheville.
34	W. S. Hymes	"
35	C. M. Greer	"
36	Wilson Hensley	"
37	W. W. Stringfield	Franklin.
38	J. W. Terrell	"
39	J. M. Lyle	"
40	I. J. Stamper	"

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

CLEVELAND, TENN., OCTOBER 21, 1885.

SIXTY-SECOND SESSION.—The sixty-second session of the Holston Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met at Cleveland, Tenn., October 21, 1885, Bishop J. C. KEENER in the chair.

Bishop Keener.—Religious service was conducted by the Bishop, consisting in the reading of the fourth chapter of the First Epistle General of Peter, singing of hymn 161, and prayer.

Roll of Clerical Members Called.—The Secretary of the last session of the Conference called the roll of clerical members and the following were found to be present :

K. C. Atkins, D. Atkins, James Atkins, Jr., W. H. Bates, J. H. Brunner, John Boring, B. W. S. Bishop, J. W. Bowman, H. W. Bays, W. R. Barnett, C. S. Bird, W. M. Boring, F. D. Crumley, C. T. Carroll, M. L. Clendenen, D. H. Carr, L. L. H. Callock, W. C. Carden, J. W. Carnes, J. A. Cook, A. W. Curtis, James I. Cash, A. J. Frazier, J. T. Frazier, S. D. Gaines, T. F. Glenn, T. R. Handy, W. W. Hicks, J. D. Hickson, W. H. Horton, S. H. Hilliard, H. S. Hamilton, C. M. James, J. S. Kennedy, J. H. Kennedy, J. R. Long, J. N. Lotspeich, J. A. Lyon, J. C. Lowe, W. H. Leith, J. M. McTeer, G. W. Miles, James Mahoney, E. W. Moore, W. D. Mitchell, G. A. Maiden, D. McCracken, H. C. Neal, J. S. W. Neel, R. A. Owen, R. W. Pickens, R. N. Price, W. W. Pyott, R. H. Parker, W. H. Price, J. L. Prater, Wm. Robeson, Frank Richardson, J. W. Robertson, W. L. Richardson, E. B. Robertson, S. L. Richardson, J. T. Smith, David Sullins, M. P. Swaim, Jacob Smith, R. E. Smith, G. W. Simpson, J. T. Stover, G. W. Summers, W. A. Thomas, P. L. Terrel, E. E. Wiley, H. P. Waugh, J. A. Wiggins, J. R. Walker, R. G. Waterhouse, J. H. Weaver, A. E. Woodward.

Lay Delegates.—The roll of lay delegates is as follows :

WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT—H. S. Bowen, J. B. Smith, T. C. Vaughan, S. Transou.

JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT—W. W. George, James D. Johnston, Joseph Stras, J. M. Romans.

ABINGDON DISTRICT—H. C. Bruce, A. P. Gilmer, H. S. K. Morrison, J. L. Buchanan.

JONESBORO DISTRICT—W. G. Butler, J. B. Lotspeich, I. E. Reeves, J. B. White.

MORRISTOWN DISTRICT—H. C. T. Richmond, Ira L. Vaughn, W. P. Carriger, C. T. Duncan.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT—John E. Chapman, W. C. Murphy, Silas Sharpe, C. W. Cross.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT—John K. Brown, W. H. Killian, J. P. Davis, J. B. Wirt.

SEQUATCHIE DISTRICT—A. P. Mitchell, C. C. Fisher, J. A. Darr, J. H. Thomas.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. B. Way, W. S. Hymes, C. M. Greer, Wilson Hensley.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT—W. W. Stringfield, J. W. Terrell, J. M. Lyle, I. J. Stamper.

Lay Delegates Present.—The following lay delegates were found to be present: W. G. Butler, J. B. White, Ira L. Vaughn, John E. Chapman, W. C. Murphy, C. W. Cross, J. P. Davis, A. P. Mitchell, C. C. Fisher, J. A. Darr, J. H. Thomas, C. M. Greer, W. W. Stringfield, J. W. Terrell, J. M. Lyle.

Secretaries Elected.—W. C. Carden was elected Secretary, and B. W. Fielder and J. I. Cash, Assistant Secretaries.

Hours of Meeting and Adjourning.—The hours for meeting and adjourning were fixed as follows: Meet each day at 8½ o'clock, A. M., and adjourn at 12 M.

Bar Fixed.—The Bar of the Conference was fixed to include the house to the farther side of the third window.

Standing Committee.—On motion, the Presiding Elders were constituted a committee to nominate standing committees for the present session of the Conference.

Vacancies Filled.—M. S. Watts, on committee of the first year, was substituted with J. N. Lotspeich. R. H. Parker, on committee of the second second year, was substituted with J. H. Leith. D. S. Hearon, on committee of the fourth year, was substituted with J. H. Keith.

Communications.—A communication from Dr. David Morton, Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, was read and referred to the Conference Board of Church Extension.

The annual report of the Agent and Book Committee of the Publishing House was read and referred to the committee on Books and Periodicals.

Paine Institute.—A communication from W. C. Dunlap, Commissioner of Education for Paine Institute, was read and referred to the Board of Education.

Special Committee.—On motion, R. N. Price, David Sullins and Frank Richardson were appointed a special committee to take into consideration that part of the foregoing paper asking a contribution from this Conference in aid of Paine Institute.

Reports of Trustees of Sullins Female College and Hiwassee College were presented and referred to Board of Education.

Standing Committees.—The nominating committee of standing committees for the present session of the Conference submitted their report as follows, which was adopted :

ON PUBLIC WORSHIP—G. W. Miles, G. R. Stuart, John B. Hoyl.

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS—J. H. Kennedy, D. H. Dickey, R. E. Smith, S. R. Wheeler, M. L. Clendenen, C. M. Cross, J. I. Cash, W. A. Thomas, J. T. Smith, R. W. Pickens.

TEMPERANCE—T. F. Glenn, W. L. Richardson, J. B. Wert.

CHURCH PROPERTY—W. W. Hicks, Joseph Stras, J. B. Lotspeich, C. S. Bird, J. E. Chapman, W. H. Horton, W. C. Farris, A. W. Curtis, W. W. Stringfield, S. M. Transou.

STATE OF THE CHURCH—D. S. Hearon, Wm. Robeson, J. S. Bourne, R. M. Hickey, H. P. Waugh, C. M. James, S. T. M. McPherson, S. L. Richardson, J. A. Wiggins, R. A. Kelley.

MEMOIRS—R. N. Price, C. T. Carroll, D. H. Carr, J. S. Kennedy, W. H. Leith.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS—J. H. Parrott, W. G. Butler, J. A. Cook, J. M. Wolf, T. C. Vaughn, J. E. Naff, J. R. Walker, J. A. Darr, J. W. Terrell.

BIBLE CAUSE—G. Taylor, W. C. Murphy, A. P. Mitchell.

Ques. 17—*The Seventeenth Question.*—"Who are Supernumerary?" was called and the following passed an examination of character and were referred to the committee on Conference Relations :

John Alley, J. S. Burnett, W. H. Dawn, R. A. Hutsell, J. R. Long, S. Phillips, W. B. Reese, C. D. Smith, J. R. Stradley, G. Taylor, J. R. Payne, D. R. Smith, B. O. Davis, W. H. Kelley, W. H. Bates, P. S. Sutton.

Ques. 18—*The Eighteenth Question.*—"Who are Superannuated?" was called and the following passed an examination of character and were referred to the committee on Conference Relations :

L. W. Crouch, S. D. Gaines, Wm. Robeson, J. N. S. Huffaker, Wm. M. Kerr, J. W. Bird, W. H. Cooper, L. C. Delashmit, T. J. Pope, R. A. Giddens, T. F. Smith, A. E. Woodward, W. L. Turner.

Effective.—T. T. Salyer, J. C. Runyan, Supernumeraries, and J. C. Lowe, Superannuate, were made effective.

Ques. 10—*The Tenth Question.*—“What local preachers are elected deacons?” was called. Rush F. Jackson, from Hillsville circuit, Wytheville District; Richard B. Parsons and James Young, from Rutledge circuit, Morristown District; William Carter and Samuel J. Smith, St. Clair circuit, Morristown District; J. W. Battle and Ephraim Akard, Erwin mission, Jonesboro’ District; J. C. Allison, Catawba circuit, and T. F. Gibson, Toe River mission, Asheville District, being properly recommended by the Quarterly Conferences of which they are members, respectively, were elected to the office of deacon.

Ques. 14—*The Fourteenth Question.*—“What local preachers are elected elders?” was called. None were presented.

Ques. 20—*The Twentieth Question.*—“Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?” was called and the following elders passed an examination of character: J. W. Smith, J. H. Kennedy, J. T. Frazier, Geo. Stuart, J. L. M. French, C. K. Miller, Jacob Smith. W. D. Akers’ character passed and he was located at his own request,

Adjourned.—Announcements were made and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Keener.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1885.

The Conference met at 8:30 o’clock, A. M., Bishop Keener in the chair. Religious service was conducted by J. H. Brunner.

Roll Call.—The roll was called and the following, not present at the first session, answered to their names: W. H. Bates, W. B. Baldwin, J. S. Bourne, W. G. E. Cunnyngnam, J. R. Cunningham, D. H. Dickey, B. W. Fielder, R. A. Giddens, A. Kincaid, W. B. Lyda, J. R. Payne, J. H. Parrott, John W. Smith, S. R. Wheeler, J. F. Wampler. Lay Delegates—S. M. Transou, John K. Brown.

Roll Call Dispensed with.—On motion, the calling of the roll was dispensed with for the remainder of the session.

Minutes Read.—The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

Alternates Seated.—W. D. Hyder, alternate from Asheville District, took the place of W. S. Hymes, absent.

Ques. 1—The First Question.—"Who are admitted on trial?" was called: James W. Coffman, from Concord circuit, Jeffersonville District; Wm. M. Dyer, Lead Mines circuit, and Thos. E. Wagg, Sparta circuit, Wytheville District; Edmond Tilley, Bristol city mission, James A. Burrow, Bristol station, and Dayton C. Horne, Gladeville circuit, Abingdon District; Thos. F. Gibson, Toe River mission, Asheville District; Eugene H. Cassidy, Rutledge circuit, and John B. Simpson, Sneedville mission, Morristown District, having been duly recommended by the Quarterly Conferences to which they belong, and having passed an approved examination before the Conference committee, were admitted on trial in the traveling connection.

Francis H. Farley Rejected.—The application of Francis H. Farley for admission into the traveling connection was not granted, but, on motion, the Presiding Elder, is permitted to employ him to do work where he may be needed.

Ques. 5—The Fifth Question.—"Who are readmitted?" was called. B. T. Sharpe, from Andersonville circuit, Knoxville District; Sterling V. Bates, Riceville circuit, Chattanooga District, and David Vance Price, Emory circuit, Abingdon District, being duly recommended by the Quarterly Conferences of which they are members, respectively, were readmitted into the traveling connection.

W. H. Stevens Rejected.—The application of Walter H. Stevens for readmission in the traveling connection was not granted.

T. W. Jordan and Rev. W. H. Rogers Introduced.—T. W. Jordan, President of Emory and Henry College, and Rev. W. H. Rogers, of the M. E. Church, were introduced to the Conference.

E. W. Moore asked and obtained leave of absence.

Ques. 32—The Second Question.—"Who remain on trial?" was called. Samuel K. Bird, James E. Bruce, John W. Browning, Rush F. Jackson, Rufus W. Kite, John B. Tabor, John L. Teague, James O. Straley, W. L. Jones, W. G. Maloney and W. R. Snyder, passed an examination of character and were continued on trial in the class of the second year.

J. F. Austin not being present, his character passed and he was continued on trial in the class of the *first year*.

Joseph R. Vaughn not being before the committee, his character passed and he was continued in class of *first year*.

A. F. Keathley Discontinued.—A. F. Keathley passed examination of character and was discontinued at his own request.

Ques. 7—*The Seventh Question.*—“Who are the deacons of one year?” was called. Hale S. Hamilton and Pinkney L. Terrell passed an examination of character and were advanced to the class of the fourth year.

Lemuel M. Cartwright, not present, passed an examination of character and was continued as of the third year.

Adjourned.—Announcements were made and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Keener.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1885.

The Conference met at 8½ o'clock, A. M., Bishop Keener in the chair. Religious service was conducted by E. E. Wiley.

The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

Ques. 7—*The Seventh Question.*—“Who are the deacons of one year?” was called. J. S. Bourne was called, his character passed and he was advanced to the class of the fourth year.

Ques. 4—*The Fourth Question.*—“Who are admitted into full connection?” was called. S. S. Catron, H. C. Clemens, J. H. Brendle, J. H. Moore, R. T. McDowell, T. C. Shuler, J. A. Sronce, passed examination of character; they were then called up before the Conference when the usual disciplinary questions were propounded by the Bishop, accompanied by appropriate remarks, and they were received into full connection.

Elected Deacon.—Henry C. Clemens, Joseph H. Brendle, Thos. C. Shuler and John A. Sronce were elected to the office of deacon; S. S. Catron, J. H. Moore and R. T. McDowell having been ordained deacons as local preachers.

G. R. Stuart passed examination of character and not having been before the committee, he was continued in the class of the second year.

DR. YOUNG, Missionary Secretary, addressed the Conference, representing the condition and wants of the Missionary treasury, and asking that this Conference pledge one-fourth of the assessment for Foreign Missions for the ensuing year by the first of January, 1886.

On motion, the Conference agreed to raise the amount asked by February 1st, 1886.

Holston Methodist.—Drs. Wiley and Sullins addressed the Conference in behalf of the *Holston Methodist* and secured stock in relief of its indebtedness to the amount of twenty-five hundred dollars.

Time Extended.—The time for adjournment having arrived, on motion, the time was extended fifteen minutes.

The following paper was introduced and passed by vote of the Conference :

Resolved, That the election of delegates to the General Conference be the order of the day for Saturday, 9:30 o'clock, A. M.

E. E. HOSS,
B. W. S. BISHOP.

On motion, the vote of the Conference on change of the name of the Church was made the order of the day for Saturday, immediately after the election of delegates to the General Conference.

J. W. Gaut, alternate, took the place of Silas Sharp, lay delegate from Knoxville District.

Adjourned.—Announcements were made and the Conference adjourned with benediction by Bishop Keener.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1885.

The Conference met at 8:30 o'clock, A. M., Bishop Keener in the chair. Religious service was conducted by W. H. Leith.

Minutes Read.—The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Ques. 12—*The Twelfth Question.*—"What traveling preachers are elected elders?" was called. Arthur W. Curtis, Samuel H. Hilliard, S. L. Richardson and R. G. Waterhouse, having passed an approved examination on the course of study, passed also examination of character and were elected to the office of elder. J. A. Cook, J. E. Naff, J. O. Shelley and H. P. Bailey, not present, and W. B. Baldwin not having been before the committee, passed examination of character and were continued in the class of the fourth year.

H. P. Bailey.—On motion, the presiding elder of H. P. Bailey was in-

structed to communicate to him that he will be expected to be present at the next session of the Conference to pass examination on the course of study.

C. F. Reid, Missionary to China, A. G. Worley, of the North Georgia Conference, Wm. Witcher, of the Tennessee Conference, and W. Hammond, of the Baltimore Conference, were introduced to the Conference.

D. W. Carter.—Bishop Keener announced a telegram from D. W. Carter, our Missionary to Mexico, sending greetings to his brethren of the Holston Conference.

On motion of E. E. Hoss, J. Atkins, Jr., was requested to respond in a communication of our greetings to Brother Carter; also to J. L. Kennedy, our Missionary to Brazil.

V. C. Allen, alternate, from Chattanooga District, took the place of W. H. Killian, absent.

J. A. Stubblefield, from Morristown District, took the place of H. C. T. Richmond, absent.

Election of Delegates to General Conference.—The order of the day, viz: the election of delegates to the ensuing General Conference, was taken up.

A ballot was had for clerical delegates, resulting as follows: 114 votes were cast—necessary to a choice, 58. Frank Richardson received 85; E. E. Wiley, 73, and R. N. Price, 59 votes, and they were declared elected.

A second ballot was had resulting in no election.

Lay Delegates.—A ballot was had for lay delegates. 29 votes were cast—necessary to a choice, 15. J. W. Paulett and I. E. Reeves received 16 votes; Joseph Stras, 18, and C. L. Hardwick, 15 votes, and they were declared elected.

A second ballot was had. 26 votes were cast—necessary to a choice, 14. W. W. Stringfield received 22 votes, and was declared elected.

On motion, it was resolved that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon, and that it be the order of the day to complete the election of delegates to the General Conference.

Announcements were made and the Conference adjourned with singing and the benediction by Bishop Keener.

FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1885.

The Conference met at 2 P. M., Bishop Keener in the chair. Religious service was conducted by J. S. Kennedy.

The minutes of the forenoon session were read and approved.

The election of delegates to the General Conference was resumed.

The third ballot for lay delegates was had. 24 votes were cast—necessary to elect, 13. J. A. Darr received 16 votes, and was declared elected.

Dr. E. E. Wiley took the chair at the request of Bishop Keener.

The third ballot for clerical delegates resulted as follows: 98 votes were cast—necessary to a choice, 50. W. G. E. Cunyningham received 61 votes; E. E. Hoss, 51, and they were declared elected.

The fourth ballot for clerical delegates resulted as follows: Whole number of votes 99—necessary to elect, 50. C. T. Carroll received 52 votes, and was declared elected.

A ballot for alternate lay delegates was had; whole number of votes cast 24—necessary to a choice, 13. J. E. Chapman received 19 votes and T. W. Jordan 14 votes, and they were declared elected.

On motion, the Conference adjourned, with the benediction by Dr. Wiley.

FIFTH DAY

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1885.

The Conference met at 8½ A. M., Bishop Keener in the chair. Religious service was conducted by J. R. Payne.

The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

Bishop Keener announced that on yesterday he ordained the following:

TRAVELING DEACONS—Henry C. Clemens, Joseph H. Brendle, Thomas C. Shuler, John A. Sronce.

LOCAL DEACONS—Richard B. Parsons, Samuel J. Smith, Wm. Carter, James Young, Thos. F. Gibson, Rush F. Jackson, John W. Coffman, E. G. McKenzie, John W. Battle.

TRAVELING ELDERS—Arthur W. Curtis, Samuel H. Hilliard, Samuel L. Richardson, R. G. Waterhouse.

LOCAL ELDER—Claiborne M. Campbell.

On motion, 6½ o'clock this P. M., was set apart as the hour for holding the Conference memorial service.

Wm. Robeson asked and obtained leave of absence.

Ques. 20—*The Twentieth Question*.—"Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?" was called, and the following elders passed examination of character.

G. W. Summers, B. F. Nuckolls, James Mahoney, D. H. Dickey, B. W. S. Bishop, W. D. Mitchell, G. A. Frazier, S. R. Wheeler, R. A. Kelley, J. T. Stover, D. H. Carr, W. H. Price, J. S. Kennedy, J. W. Bowman, J. H. Keith, R. E. Smith, D. H. Coman, J. S. W. Neel, W. W. Hicks, G. A. Maiden, J. R. Walker, D. Sullins, E. E. Hoss, R. N. Price, J. A. Davis, E. E. Wiley, D. S. Hearon, W. G. E. Cunnyngnam, D. W. Carter, R. H. Parker, W. C. Carden, W. R. Barnett, J. D. Hickson, T. F. Glenn, E. Blake, E. W. Moore, W. P. Doane, G. D. French, W. L. Richardson, R. M. Hickey, C. S. Bird, W. M. Bellamy, J. R. Cunningham, J. W. Belt, F. D. Crumley, M. L. Clendenen, C. T. Carroll, L. L. H. Carlock, H. W. Bays, J. N. Lotspeich, Ayers Kincaid, B. W. Fielder, J. C. Bays, H. P. Waugh, J. L. Prater, J. A. Bilderback, J. H. Parrott, J. H. Brunner, J. A. Lyons, Frank Richardson, G. C. Rankin, T. R. Handy, W. H. Horton, J. W. Carnes, G. W. Renfro, W. H. Leith, C. M. James, J. I. Cash, J. M. Wolf, G. W. Miles, W. C. Farris, J. W. Robertson, S. T. McPherson, J. K. Wolf, J. R. Stewart, H. C. Neal, E. H. Bogle, W. W. Pyott, W. W. Bays, L. K. Haynes, J. T. Smith, S. S. Weatherly, J. F. Wampler, W. B. Lyda, E. B. Robertson, J. Atkins, D. Atkins, J. L. Kennedy, K. C. Atkins, W. A. Thomas, J. J. Brooks, G. W. Simpson, R. W. Pickens, R. A. Owen.

Located.—G. A. Frazier and M. L. Clendenen were granted a location at their own request.

On motion, the action of the Conference by which W. H. Bates, P. S. Sutton and G. W. K. Greene were referred to the committee on Conference Relations for supernumerary relation, was reconsidered and they were made effective.

Ques. 18—*The Eighteenth Question*.—"Who are Superannuated?" was called. J. M. McTeer and G. W. Renfro were referred to the committee for superannuated relation.

Ques. 17—*The Seventeenth Question*.—"Who are Supernumerary?" was called. M. S. Watts and J. C. Bays were referred to the committee for this relation.

W. H. Bates.—On motion, the Bishop was requested to appoint W. H. Bates chaplain to the East Tennessee Insane Asylum.

On motion, the report on Education was made the order of the day for 3 o'clock this P. M.

On motion, it was resolved that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

H. C. Neal asked and obtained leave of absence.

The Boards of Finance and Church Extension asked and were granted leave of absence at 3 o'clock this P. M.

The Conference adjourned with singing and the benediction by Bishop Keener.

FIFTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1885.

The Conference met at 2 o'clock P. M., Dr. E. E. Wiley in the chair by appointment of the Bishop. Religious service was conducted by B. W. S. Bishop.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

F. H. Farley.—On motion, the action of the Conference by which the application of F. H. Farley for admission on trial was rejected, was reconsidered.

On motion, the hearing of the report of the special committee on Paine Institute was made the order of the day for to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

Report of Committee on Conference Records.—The committee on Conference Records presented and read their report, which was adopted.

On motion, the Conference proceeded to the election of clerical delegates, alternate, to the General Conference.

A ballot was had, resulting in 88 votes—necessary to a choice, 45. W. W. Bays received 49 votes, and J. Atkins, Jr., received 45 votes, and they were declared elected.

Ques. 20—*The Twentieth Question.*—"Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?" was resumed. M. P. Swaim, J. P. Reynolds, J. A. Wiggins, W. M. Boring, D. McCracken, John Boring, and J. H. Weaver, elders, passed examination of character.

Ques. 7.—M. P. Swaim was referred to the committee for supernumerary relation.

The Conference proceeded to vote on the change of the name of the Church from "Methodist Episcopal Church, South," to "The Methodist Episcopal Church in America," according to a provision of the last General Conference.

The ayes and noes were taken, and the result is as follows: Noes, 119; ayes, 1.

The following resolution was introduced :

Resolved, That in view of the objection in many parts of our connection to the term "South" in the name of our Church, we hereby most respectfully petition our approaching General Conference, to be held in Richmond, Va., in May next, to change the name of our Church from "M. E. Church, South," to "Episcopal Methodist Church."

W. W. BAYS,	E. H. BOGLE,
J. ATKINS,	B. W. S. BISHOP,
K. C. ATKINS.	GEO. D. FRENCH.

J. M. McTeer moved to lay the foregoing on the table, and the motion prevailed.

I. E. Reeves, W. B. Lyda and John Boring asked and obtained leave of absence.

Ques. 1 -*The First Question.*—"Who are admitted on trial in the traveling connection?" was resumed. E. F. Kahle, Princeton circuit; Francis H. Farley, Buchanan mission, and Frank Alexander, Saltville circuit, Jeffersonville District, having been duly recommended by the Quarterly Conferences of which they are members, respectively, and having passed an approved examination before the Conference committee, were admitted on trial in the traveling connection.

On motion, it was resolved that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 7 o'clock this P. M.

The Conference adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Keener.

FIFTH DAY—EVENING SESSION.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1885.

The Conference met at 7 P. M. Dr. E. E. Wiley was called to the chair. Religious service was conducted by W. C. Dunlap and Dr. Sullins.

Memorial Service.—The Committee on Memoirs presented their report.

Rev. R. N. Price read the memoir of John D. Baldwin. Remarks were made by Dr. Sullins and R. N. Price. That part of the report was then adopted.

Brother Price then read the memoir of J. K. P. Ball, which was adopted. BISHOP KEENER took the chair.

D. H. Carr read the memoir of A. T. Brooks, which was adopted.

Dr. J. S. Kennedy read the memoir of J. H. Robeson, which was adopted.

R. N. Price read the obituary of Timothy Sullins.

A number of brethren spoke affectionately of all the brethren, deceased, and the report of the committee was adopted.

See Memoir Report "B."

The Conference adjourned with singing and the benediction by Bishop Keener.

SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1885.

The Conference met at 8½ A. M., Bishop Keener in the chair. Religious service was conducted by J. T. Smith.

The minutes of the afternoon and night sessions of yesterday were read and approved.

Ques. 1—*The First Question.*—"Who are admitted on trial in the traveling connection?" was resumed. Claiborne M. Campbell, Cole City and Ætna Circuit, Chattanooga District, being properly recommended by the Quarterly Conference of which he is a member, and having passed an approved examination before the committee, he was admitted on trial in the traveling connection.

Report on Education.—The "Board of Education" presented and read their report.

Order of Day.—Pending the discussion of the foregoing report the hour for the order of the day arrived, viz: the consideration of the report on Paine Institute.

Paine Institute.—The special committee to consider Paine Institute submitted their report accompanied by the report of the Board of Education referring to the same subject. W. C. Dunlap, Commissioner of Education, for the same cause, addressed the Conference.

On motion, the Presiding Elders were requested to raise \$875.00, asked of our Conference for Paine Institute, after its apportionment to the several Districts by the Board of Finance.

On motion, C. T. Carroll was appointed on the Board of Trustees for Paine Institute, from this Conference.

The report of the committee was then adopted.

See Report "C."

The Conference resumed the consideration of the Report on Education.

T. W. Jordan, R. N. Price, E. E. Wiley, J. H. Keith, G. C. Rankin, D.

Atkins spoke to the report and in advocacy of the cause of education.

Pending the discussion of the foregoing report, the hour for adjourning arrived.

J. H. Brunner, J. B. White and J. E. Chapman asked and obtained leave of absence.

On motion, it was resolved that, when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock, this P. M.

On motion, the selection of the place for holding the next annual Conference was made the order of the day for 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Announcements were made, and the Conference adjourned with singing and the benediction by Bishop Keener.

SIXTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1885.

The Conference met at 2 P. M., Bishop Keener in the chair.

Religious service was conducted by J. S. W. Neel.

The minutes of the forenoon session were read and approved.

Board of Finance.—The Bishop presented and had read the following as the Board of Finance for the ensuing year :

CLERICAL—J. H. Kennedy, W. D. Mitchell, J. N. Lotspeich, G. A. Maiden, J. R. Hixon, Jno. H. Moore, Jno. W. Carnes, S. S. Catron, J. W. Robertson, W. B. Lyda, W. A. Thomas.

LAY—Thos. C. Vaughn, Joseph Stras, S. M. Transou, H. C. Bruce, J. B. White, H. C. T. Richmond, Jno. E. Chapman, Jno. P. Davis, W. A. Brown, James Butrick, J. W. Terrell.

The consideration of the Report on Education was resumed.

W. W. Pyott, James Atkins, jr., Dr. Sullins and others spoke to the report.

The tender of Centenary Female College to the Holston Conference was accepted.

The Report on Education was then adopted.

See Report "D."

Place of Holding next Session.—The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the Conference proceeded to fix the place of holding its next session.

Wytheville was put in nomination, supported by a number of speeches.

Knoxville was also put in nomination.

Knoxville was selected, and the vote was made unanimous.

Bros. Long and Nicholson.—Bros. Long and Nicholson, of the M. E. Church, were introduced to the Conference.

Dr. Savage.—Dr. Savage, agent for the American Bible Society, was introduced to and addressed the Conference.

On motion, it was resolved that, when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 7 o'clock this evening.

The committee on Conference Relations submitted their report, which was amended and adopted, as follows: John Alley, J. S. Burnett, W. H. Dawn, R. A. Hutsell, J. R. Long, S. Phillips, W. B. Reese, C. D. Smith, J. R. Stradley, G. Taylor, J. R. Payne, W. H. Kelley, M. S. Watts, B. F. Nuckolls, J. C. Bays and M. P. Swaim were granted a supernumerary relation.

L. W. Crouch, S. D. Gaines, Wm. Roberson, J. N. S. Huffaker, Wm. M. Kerr, J. M. McTeer, J. W. Bird, W. H. Cooper, L. C. Delashmit, T. J. Pope, W. L. Turner, T. F. Smyth, G. W. Renfro, A. E. Woodward and R. A. Giddens were granted a superannuated relation.

Located.—D. R. Smith and B. C. Davis were granted a location at their own request.

Announcements were made, and the Conference adjourned with singing and the benediction by Bishop Keener.

SIXTH DAY.—EVENING SESSION.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1885.

The Conference met at 7 o'clock, P. M., Bishop J. C. Keener in the chair. Religious service was conducted by J. T. Frazier.

The minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

The Joint Board of Finance submitted Nos. 1 and 2 of their report, which were accepted.

The Treasurer of the Joint Board read his report, which was accepted.

See Papers "E."

Statistics.—The report of the Statistical Secretary was read and adopted.

See Report "F."

The report of the Sunday School Board was read and adopted.

See Report "G."

The committee on the State of the Church submitted their report, which was read and adopted.

See Report "H."

The following resolution was offered, and passed by vote of the Conference :

Resolved, That as a Conference we hereby memorialize the General Conference to meet in Richmond, to enact an explicit disciplinary clause on the subject of dancing ; and our delegates are instructed to lay this resolution before that body.

[Signed.]

R. N. PRICE.

W. W. BAYS.

The committee on Church Property submitted and read their report, which was adopted.

See Report "I."

The committee on Temperance presented their report, which was adopted.

See Report.

The committee on Books and Periodicals presented their report, which was adopted.

See Report "K."

Resolutions of Thanks.—The following resolutions of thanks were passed by a rising vote :

Resolved, That our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the citizens of Cleveland and vicinity for their kind and unstinted hospitality to the members of this Conference.

JOHN H. PARROTT.

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the pastors of the various churches for the use of their houses of worship.

J. T. SMITH.

The following resolutions were also offered and passed :

Resolved, That this Conference thank the managers of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad for reduced fare.

D. H. CARR,

R. E. SMITH.

Resolved, That we will press the claims of the Conference collection upon our people more than heretofore and try to take better care of our worn out preachers and the widows and orphans of our deceased preachers.

D. SULLINS,

G. W. MILES,

W. C. CARDEN.

The minutes of the closing session were read and approved.

The Bishop announced and the Conference sang Hymn 277.

The appointments of the preachers were then read, and on motion the Conference adjourned *sine die*, with the benediction by Bishop Keener.

APPOINTMENTS 1885-6.

NOTE.—The numbers annexed to the names of the preachers indicate the number of successive appointments to same charge. A (2) means second year. "Sup'y" indicates that the preacher is a supernumerary this year in connection with that charge. See Discipline, chap. 3, sec. 9.

Where two preachers are named with one charge the first named is "Preacher in Charge" and the other is "Junior Preacher."

I. WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.—W. W. PYOTT, P. E. 1

1	Wytheville Station	J. W. Smith	2
2	" Circuit	J. H. Kennedy	1
3	Newbern Circuit	J. L. M. French, Geo. Stewart.....	1
4	Auburn Circuit	Supplied by Sam. E. Houk	1
5	Jacksonville Circuit.....	W. M. Dyer	1
6	Hillsville Circuit	R. F. Jackson	2
7	Old Town Circuit	S. K. Bird	2
	" " "	B. F. Nuckolls, Sup'y.	
8	Elk Creek Circuit	John Boring.....	2
9	Iron Mountain Mission.....	Supplied by J. P. Bird	2
10	Lead Mines Circuit.....	W. W. Hicks	1
11	Seddon Circuit.....	J. W. Bowman	1

Conference Book Agent, Jacob Smith.

II. JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT—J. T. FRAZIER, P. E. 1

1	Jeffersonville Station.....	W. L. Richardson.....	1
2	Liberty Hill Circuit.....	D. H. Carr	1
3	Cedar Bluff Circuit	J. W. Browning	1
4	Staffordsville Circuit	R. A. Kelley	1
5	Pearisburg Circuit.....	T. F. Glenn	1
6	Princeton Circuit.....	E. F. Kahle	1
7	Concord Circuit.....	S. R. Wheeler.....	1
8	East Tazewell Circuit	W. D. Mitchell	1
9	Buchanan Mission	Supplied by C. B. LaFew.....	1
10	McDowell Mission	To be supplied.	
11	Blue Stone and Flat Top Mission...	Supplied by G. M. Johnston	1
12	Pocahontas Mission.....	Edmond Tilley	1
13	Clear Fork Circuit.....	G. W. K. Green	1
	" " "	W. H. Kelley, Supernumerary.	
14	Cedar Bluff High School	H. P. Bailey.	
15	Jefferson District High School.....	P. S. Sutton, agent.	

III. MARION DISTRICT.—W. H. PRICE, P. E. 1

1	Marion Station.....	W. H. Leith	1
2	Marion Circuit.....	G. W. Summers	1

3	Independence Circuit	James Mahoney.....	1
4	Jefferson Circuit	J. T. Stover	1
5	Mt. Airy Circuit	C. K. Miller.....	2
6	Sparta Circuit	J. B. Tabor	1
7	Saltville Circuit	B. W. S. Bishop, J. S. Bourne.....	1
8	Sharon Springs Circuit.....	J. N. Lotspeich	1
9	Emory Circuit	D. V. Price	1
10	Taylorsville Circuit	T. E. Wagg	1
11	Wautauga Circuit	W. H. Horton.....	1

IV. ABINGDON DISTRICT.-- R. H. PARKER, P. E. 2

1	Abingdon Station	J. S. Kennedy	2
2	Abingdon Circuit.....	T. T. Salyer, Eugene Blake.....	1
3	Bristol Station	J. H. Keith	2
4	Bristol Circuit	R. E. Smith	2
5	Bristol City Mission.....	B. W. Feilder	1
6	Mendota Circuit	J. E. Bruce	1
7	Lebanon Circuit	Frank Alexander	1
8	Elk Garden Circuit	J. E. Naff.....	1
9	Dickinsonville Circuit	G. A. Maiden	2
10	Gladeville Circuit.....	J. W. Belt	1
11	Estellville Circuit	J. R. Walker	2
12	Clintwood Mission.....	W. B. Baldwin	1
13	Nickellsville Circuit	W. P. Doane	1
	Emory and Henry College.....	J. A. Davis, Professor.	
	Martha Washington College.....	E. E. Wiley, President.	
	Sullins College.....	D. S. Hearon, President.	
	Sunday School Editor.....	W. G. E. Cunnyngnam.	
	Missionary to Mexico	D. W. Carter.	

V. JONESBORO DISTRICT.—G. D. FRENCH, P. E. 2

1	Jonesboro and Johnson City Station.	W. R. Barnett	1
2	Jonesboro Circuit	F. D. Crunley	1
3	Union Circuit.....	J. D. Hickson	2
4	Blountville Circuit.....	E. W. Moore	1
	“ “	M. S. Watts, Sup'y.	
5	Kingsport Circuit	H. P. Waugh	1
6	Rogersville Station	J. H. Moore	1
7	Hawkins Circuit	L. M. Cartwright	1
8	Greeneville Circuit	J. R. Hixon.....	1
9	Rheatown Circuit	E. B. Robertson	1
10	Fall Branch Circuit.....	J. A. Sronce	2
11	Erwin Mission	Supplied by J. W. Perry	1
12	Elizabethton and Cranberry Mission.	W. G. Malonee	4
		E. E. Hoss, Professor Vanderbilt University.	

VI. MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.—K. C. ATKINS, P. E. 1

1	Morristown Station.....	W. C. Carden.....	1
	“ “	G. Taylor, Supernumerary.	
2	Morristown Circuit	W. L. Jones.....	1
3	Mossy Creek Station.....	R. W. Kite.....	2
4	Rutledge Circuit.....	R. M. Hickey.....	1
5	Tazewell Circuit.....	J. J. Brooks.....	1
6	Powell's Valley Circuit	W. M. Bellamy.....	2
7	Sneedville Circuit	E. H. Cassidy	1
8	Jonesville Circuit.....	J. R. Cunningham.....	2
9	Rye Cove Circuit.....	R. P. McDowell.....	1
10	Newport Circuit.....	A. W. Curtis.....	1
11	St. Clair Circuit.....	J. K. Wolf.....	1
12	Strawberry Plains Circuit	J. H. Parrott	2

VII. KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.—F. RICHARDSON, P. E. 2

1	Knoxville—Church Street.....	L. H. Carlock.....	2
	“ “ “	W. H. Dawn, Sup'y.	
2	“ —Broad “	H. W. Bays.....	2
3	“ —Centenary	R. G. Waterhouse	1
	“ “	J. R. Payne, Sup'y.	
4	“ —Circuit	H. C. Clemens	3
5	Sevierville “	J. A. Bilderback	1
6	Jacksboro “	J. C. Runyan.....	1
7	Andersonville “	D. H. Coman	1
8	Clinton “	J. A. Cook.....	2
9	Lenoir “	B. T. Sharpe.....	1
10	Loudon “	H. S. Hamilton	2
11	Maryville “	J. W. Carnes.....	1
12	Madisonville “	Ayres Kincaid	1
	“ “	J. R. Stradley, Sup'y.	
13	Eleazer Mission.....	J. W. Coffman	1
	Hiwassee College.....	J. H. Brunner, President.	
	Assistant Sunday School Editor	J. A. Lyons.	
	Editor Holston Methodist	R. N. Price.	
	East Tennessee Insane Asylum	W. H. Bates, Chaplain.	

VIII: CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT. G. W. MILES, P. E. 3

1	Chattanooga—Centenary Street.....	G. C. Rankin	3
2	“ —Whiteside Street.....	T. R. Handy.....	2
3	“ —Cherry St. City Mis.....	J. A. Burrows.....	1
4	Rossville Station	T. C. Shuler	1

5	Ooltewah Circuit.....	W. R. Snyder	1
6	Trenton Circuit	J. L. Prater	1
7	Coal City and Aetna Circuit.....	C. M. Campbell	2
8	Cleveland Circuit.....	S. V. Bates	1
9	Cleveland Station.....	A. J. Frazier	1
10	Charleston Circuit.....	S. S. Catron	2
11	Riceville Circuit.....	Supplied by E. G. McKenzie.....	1
12	Athens Station.....	S. H. Hilliard	1
13	Athens Circuit.....	F. H. Farley	1
15	Sweetwater Circuit	J. I. Cash	2
16	Decatur	J. M. Wolf.....	3
	Centenary Female College--D. Sullins, President; G. R. Stuart, Professor.		

IX. SEQUATCHEE DISTRICT.—J. S. W. NEEL, P. E. 1

1	Jasper Circuit	J. W. Robertson.....	2
2	Dunlap Circuit	W. C. Farris	2
	“ “	J. Alley, Sup'y.	
3	South Pittsburg.....	Supplied by J. A. Darr.....	2
4	Pikeville Circuit.....	S. T. M. McPherson	2
5	Grassy Cove Circuit	D. C. Horne	1
7	Jamestown Mission.....	Supplied by John Woolsey.....	1
8	Kingston Circuit	E. H. Bogle.....	1
9	Washington Circuit.....	H. C. Neal	2
10	Spring City Circuit	G. W. Simpson	1
	“ “ “	S. Phillips, Sup'y.	
11	Hamilton Circuit.....	To be supplied.....	
12	Battle Creek Mission	J. B. Simpson	1

X. ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.—C. T. CARROLL, P. E. 1

1	Asheville Station	W. W. Bays.....	3
	“ “	J. S. Burnett, Sup'y.	
2	Asheville City Mission	To be supplied.	
3	Weaverville Circuit.....	L. K. Haynes	2
4	Swannanoa Circuit	J. T. Smith	2
5	Catawba Circuit.....	S. S. Weatherly.....	2
6	Hendersonville Station	J. L. Teague	1
7	Brevard Circuit	J. C. Lowe.....	1
8	Sulphur Springs Circuit	J. F. Austin.....	1
9	Leicester Circuit	W. B. Lyda.....	1
10	Spring Creek Mission	R. W. Pickens	1
11	Burnsville Circuit.....	S. L. Richardson.....	1
13	Bakersville Station.....	J. F. Wampler.....	1
	“ “	W. B. Reese, Sup'y.	
14	Toe River Mission.....	T. F. Gibson.....	2

15	Blue Ridge Mission.....	Supplied by C. M. Greer	3
	Asheville Female College.....	J. Atkins, Jr., President.	
	Weaverville College	D. Atkins, President.	
	Missionary to Brazil	J. L. Kennedy.	

XI. FRANKLIN DISTRICT.—J. H. WEAVER, P. E. 2

1	Franklin Station	W. A. Thomas	2
2	Franklin Circuit	D. McCracken.....	1
3	Waynesville Station.....	D. H. Dickey	1
4	Pigeon River Circuit.....	J. O. Straley	1
5	Haywood Circuit.....	W. M. Boring	3
	“ “	J. R. Long, Sup'y.	
6	Webster Circuit.....	C. M. James	1
7	Macon Circuit	J. O. Shelley	1
8	Murphy Circuit	R. A. Owen	1
9	Hayesville Circuit	P. L. Terrell	1
10	Charleston Mission	J. P. Reynolds.....	2
11	Robbinsville Mission.....	J. A. Wiggins	2
12	Highlands Mission	J. H. Brendle	2
13	Ducktown Mission	Supplied by G. Bryant	1

TRANSFERRED.

C. S. Bird, to South Carolina Conference.

J. C. KEENER, BISHOP.

W. C. CARDEN, SECRETARY.

MINUTES HOLSTON CONFERENCE, METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH,

*Held at Cleveland, Tenn., beginning October 21st, and ending
October 27th, 1885.*

BISHOP J. C. KEENER, *President.*

REV. W. C. CARDEN, *Secretary.*

NOTE.—These questions and answers correspond in form and matter with the "General Minutes" which are published by the church, for each Annual Conference. They sum up briefly the daily proceedings.

Question I.—Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER.—John W. Coffman, Wm. M. Dyer, Thomas E. Wagg, Edmond Tilley, James A. Burrow, Dayton C. Horne, Thomas F. Gibson, Eugene H. Cassidy, John B. Simpson, E. F. Kahle, Francis H. Farley, Frank Alexander.

Question II.—Who remain on trial?

ANSWER.—Samuel K. Bird, James E. Bruce, John W. Browning, Rush F. Jackson, Rufus W. Kite, W. R. Snyder, John B. Tabor, John L. Teague, W. L. Jones, James O. Straley, W. G. Malonee, in class of second year. J. F. Austin, Joseph R. Vaughn in class of first year.

Question III.—Who are discontinued?

ANSWER.—A. F. Keathley.

Question IV.—Who are admitted into full connection?

ANSWER.—Stephen S. Catron, Henry C. Clemens, Joseph H. Brendle, John H. Moore, Robert T. McDowell, Thomas C. Shuler, and John A. Sronce.

Question V.—Who are re-admitted?

ANSWER.—Benjamin T. Sharpe, Sterling V. Bates, and David Vance Price.

Question VI.—Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

ANSWER.—J. R. Hixon, from Los Angeles Conference.

Question VII.—Who are the deacons of one year?

ANSWER.—Hale S. Hamilton, Pinkney L. Terrell, J. A. Cook, J. E. Naff, J. O. Shelley, W. B. Baldwin, and H. P. Bailey.

Question VIII.—What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

ANSWER.—Henry C. Clemens, Joseph H. Brendle, Thomas C. Shuler, and John A. Sronce.

Question IX.—What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

ANSWER.—Henry C. Clemens, Joseph H. Brendle, Thomas C. Shuler, and John A. Sronce.

Question X.—What local preachers are elected deacons?

ANSWER.—Richard B. Parsons, Samuel J. Smith, William Carter, James

Young, J. W. Battle, Ephraim Akard, Thomas F. Gibson, James C. Allison, Rush F. Jackson, John W. Coffman, and Elias G. McKenzie.

Question XI.—What local preachers are ordained deacons?

ANSWER.—Richard B. Parsons, Samuel J. Smith, Willam Carter, James Young, Thomas F. Gibson, Rush F. Jackson, John W. Coffman, E. G. McKenzie, and John W. Battle.

Question XII.—What traveling preachers are elected elders?

ANSWER.—Arthur W. Curtis, Samuel H. Hilliard, Samuel L. Richardson, and Richard G. Waterhouse.

Question XIII.—What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

ANSWER.—Arthur W. Curtis, Samuel H. Hilliard, Samuel L. Richardson, and Richard G. Waterhouse.

Question XIV.—What local preachers are elected elders?

ANSWER.—None.

Question XV.—What local preachers are ordained elders?

ANSWER.—Claiborne M. Campbell, on certificate of election at a former session.

Question XVI.—Who are located this year?

ANSWER.—G. A. Frazier, M. L. Clendenen, B. C. Davis, D. R. Smith and W. D. Akers.

Question XVII.—Who are supernumerary?

ANSWER.—John Alley, J. S. Burnett, W. H. Dawn, R. A. Hutsell, J. R. Long, S. Phillips, W. B. Reese, C. D. Smith, J. R. Stradley, G. Taylor, J. R. Payne, J. C. Bays, M. P. Swaim, M. S. Watts, W. H. Kelley, B. F. Nuckolls.

Question XVIII.—Who are superannuated?

ANSWER.—L. W. Crouch, S. D. Gaines, William Robeson, J. N. S. Huffaker, William M. Kerr, J. W. Bird, W. H. Cooper, L. C. Delashmit, T. J. Pope, R. A. Giddens, T. F. Smyth, A. E. Woodward, W. L. Turner, J. M. McTeer, and G. W. Renfro.

Question XIX.—What preachers have died during the past year?

ANSWER.—J. D. Baldwin, J. K. P. Ball, J. H. Robeson, Timothy Sullins, and A. T. Brooks.

Question XX.—Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

ANSWER.—Their names were called, one by one, in open Conference, and their characters examined and passed.

Question XXI.—What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference?

ANSWER.—Local preachers, 308; members, 46,529.

Question XXII.—How many infants have been baptised during the year?

ANSWER.—1,290.

Question XXIII.—How many adults have been baptized during the year?

ANSWER.—2,465.

Question XXIV.—What is the number of Sunday Schools?

ANSWER.—587.

Question XXV.—What is the number of Sunday School Teachers?

ANSWER.—3,706.

Question XXVI.—What is the number of Sunday School scholars?

ANSWER.—35,116.

Question XXVII.—What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

ANSWER.—\$3,000.

Question XXVIII.—What amount has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

ANSWER.—\$1,875.77. Divided among the claimants according to their several needs. (See report of Board of Finance.)

Question XXIX.—What has been contributed for missions?

ANSWER.—For Domestic Missions, \$3,348; Foreign Missions, \$4,609; Total, \$7,957.

Question XXX.—What are the educational Statistics?

ANSWER.— —

Question XXXI.—Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

ANSWER.—At Knoxville, Tennessee.

Question XXXII.—Where are the preachers stationed this year?

ANSWER.—See the Appointments of the Preachers.

CONFERENCE REPORTS.

"A."

DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

Your committee on District Conference Records beg leave to submit the following :

We are impressed with the wisdom of the legislation which requires the records of the District Conference to pass under annual review. There is a great deal to commend, and but little to condemn, in the records for 1885, in so far as they have come under our observation.

The records of the Wytheville District Conference are orthographically correct ; they are both legible and intelligible to ourselves, and to every other person in the known world, and are perfect, except a few blots on one or two pages.

The records of the Asheville District Conference are well kept. There appears, however, to be a mistake, in that four of the pastors are credited with their reports previous to the appointment of the various committees ; aside from this the book is a model in penmanship, orthography and punctuation.

The records of the Knoxville District Conference are neatly, and in the main correctly kept. The District needs a new book, and we would modestly and respectfully suggest that they procure the one prepared by the Southern Methodist Publishing House.

Barring a few blotches, erasures and interlineations, the records of the Franklin District Conference are a thing of beauty.

The records of the Morristown District Conference are *ne plus ultra*. The book itself is old and feeble. It ought to be referred to the committee on Conference relations, for a superannuated relation. The District ought to have a new book.

The proceedings of the Chattanooga District Conference for the year 1885, are entered of record in a book formerly belonging to the Athens District. The penmanship, while not inferior, bears too striking a resemblance to that of the average lawyer to be commendably legible. The marginal entries are written lengthwise of the page instead of across it. On page 127, in making up the roll, the name of L. W. Crouch appears as a local elder, whereas he is a superannuated member of this annual Conference. The Conference appears to have adjourned without reading the minutes, without motion or benediction, and the names of both chairman and secretary are in the unmistakable chirography of the latter.

The records of the Sequachie District Conference are neatly and correctly kept. The ink is fearfully and wonderfully dim.

The records of the Jeffersonville, Abingdon and Jonesboro Districts were not before the committee.

Respectfully submitted.

JNO. H. PARROTT, CHAIRMAN.

J. A. DARR, SECRETARY.

"B."

REV. JOHN H. ROBESON.

REV. JOHN H. ROBESON, was born in Buncombe county, N. C, December 10th, 1819. His father, Alexander Robeson, was a local preacher, and his mother a good Christian woman. They sought to bring up their children in the "nurture and admonition of the Lord." Brother Robeson seems to have been impressed at a very early age that it was his duty to preach the gospel. Owing to his limited opportunities in the way of early education, he shrank from what he felt to be a duty, grieved the spirit of God, blunted his religious convictions, and perhaps thereby delayed his full conversion to Christ, till he was forty years of age.

About the close of the war, March 4th, 1865, he was licensed to preach by a Quarterly Conference at Sandy Mush, Buncombe county, N. C., under the presidency of Rev. G. Taylor, P. E. In that year he moved to Texas, where he had an affliction of the eyes from which he never recovered. Because of personal and family affliction, he returned East, stopping in Gilmer county, Ga., and making himself useful in building up a High School and in preaching.

He joined the North Georgia Conference in 1870, and did efficient work in that region, so that many souls were saved through his faithful ministry. He was ordained Deacon, December 3d, 1871, by Bishop Wightman. In 1873 his wife's health failed, and he brought her and his children to the mountains of Western Carolina. He was that year transferred to the Holston Conference, and labored for a short time in the work of the American Bible Society.

In 1874, his wife, a grand-daughter of Col. Lowery, of North Carolina, died of consumption. It was a terrible bereavement to Brother Robeson, from which he never rallied. He then received regular appointments in our Conference. In 1876 he broke down on the Weaverville circuit, a large and laborious charge of 17 appointments at that time. Since then he has been on our superannuated roll, assisting his brethren in the ministry and holding meetings when able to do so.

In January of this year, he came to Virginia to visit his daughter, the wife of Rev. W. D. Akers, P. C., of Independence circuit. He suffered intensely with rheumatism, and a complication of diseases. In April he was completely prostrated, and for weeks suffered intensely. Helpless as an infant, he gradually grew weaker and weaker, until the weary wheels of life stood still, July 18th, 1885. His remains were carried to North Carolina and buried beside those of his sainted wife.

In the beginning of his last sickness he often said, "I will not be here long," and spoke of his death with a calmness of soul which only those have who are Christ's own. He often exhorted his children to live useful and holy lives.

Thus passed away from the sufferings and sorrows of earth a very remarkable man, of rare nobility of character and of no ordinary ability. With meagre advantages in his youth, and attaining manhood at a time when the country became involved in a long and devastating war, he was certainly a marvel. As a preacher, when in the spirit of his Master, he exhibited a power, grandeur, and uniqueness of originality rarely equaled. He was a man of prayer and Christian modesty. He has left a precious legacy—the savor of a pure and untarnished name—to his deeply bereaved children. Many will rise up in the day of the Master's coming and called him blessed.

J. S. KENNEDY.

OCTOBER 27th, 1885.

REV. ARCHIBALD THOMPSON BROOKS.

Was born in Tazewell county, Virginia, December 19th, 1817, and departed this life, at Pocahontas, in the same county and State, July 13, 1885.

BRO. BROOKS was united in marriage with Miss Eleanor Syphers, in the year 1836, joined the Methodist Church and gave his heart to God the year following.

He was licensed to preach the Gospel at Sulphur Springs, in Smythe county, Virginia, in the year 1843, Thos. K. Catlett, P. E.

Bro. Brooks traveled as a supply the following charges in order: Watauga mission, three years; Taylorsville circuit, one year; St. Clair, one year; Elizabethton, one year, and Pikeville two years. After the war he traveled the Trenton circuit.

He then taught school in Ætna for three years, and, in connection therewith, supplied the Hamilton mission; during these years he was ordained Deacon by Bishop Andrew, and Elder by Bishop Capers.

In the year 1871, he was admitted on trial in the Holston Conference, M. E. Church, South, and afterward filled the following appointments, in their order:

Ætna station, one year; Cleveland circuit, two years; Benton circuit, two years; Rich Valley circuit, one year; East Tazewell circuit, two years; Princeton circuit, one year; Bluestone and Flat-top mission, two years.

There his health failed, and he was forced to accept a superannuated relation, in which relation death found him.

He settled at a point near the town of Pocahontas, where he remained for a short time, and subsequently moved to Pocahontas, where his days on earth were ended.

Bro. Brooks leaves a wife and four children, besides a host of ardent friends.

While Bro. Brooks was not considered by the church, or the world, as a first class preacher, he did preach boldly and fearlessly the peculiar doctrines of Methodism, which he regarded as scriptural.

He seemed not to be ambitious as to worldly fame, but with a meek and quiet spirit, and a heart yearning for the salvation of sinners, he went forth a pure Gospel preacher, knowing nothing but Jesus Christ and Him crucified, and as a natural consequence he was an effective preacher.

He was poor in the goods of this world, and, like many others, passed through *fiery ordeals*—but the pure gold was only the more refined thereby, and we feel certain that he will at last stand among the great multitude that John saw, who had come out of great tribulation, and had washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Bro. Brooks had been under a cloud, as he expressed it, for a time after he was taken sick; but some three or four weeks prior to the time of his decease, he triumphed grandly over the last enemy. Bro. G. W. K. Green was spending the night with him. He told Bro. Green he was passing through a great trial and wanted him to pray that he might have the clear, unmistakable evidence of his acceptance with God. In the night he called Bro. Green and said to him: "*It's coming, it's coming! I've got it, I've got it! Hallelujah!*"

It was especially refreshing to see him on the margin of the river, so full of faith, hope, and the love of God, and with such an intense love for the brethren. Said he, "Tell my brethren of the Conference I died at my post."

He was buried at Fall's Mill July 14, 1885, in the presence of a large concourse of people. Some wept, and some shouted.

"Servant of God, well done;
Rest from thy loved employ:
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy."

REV. JAMES K. P. BALL.

James Knox Polk Ball was born in McMinn county, Tenn., May 21, 1844, being the youngest child of a family of nine children. He was named by the Rev. James Axley, of precious memory, for James K. Polk, who was then a candidate for the Presidency of the United States. At about the age of eight years he embraced religion and became a member of the M. E. Church, South, but, like too many young persons, he was subject to backslidings, but was restored to the favor of God at the annual camp-meetings, which were regularly held. In this mixed religious state he lived until he was sixteen or seventeen years old. About this time he volunteered into the Confederate army as a private, and he continued in the service to the close of the war, serving in the Third Tennessee regiment under Colonel, and afterwards General, Vaughan. After he had been in the army awhile, his brother offered to hire a substitute for him, but he preferred to continue in the army. He was in the battle of Perryville, Kentucky, and in the siege of Vicksburg, under General Pemberton. He was a brave and generous soldier, and his immediate associates in the army still living speak of him with affection and admiration. He lost his health while in the service, contracting a disease, diarrhoea, from which he never finally recovered. After the close of the war he went to school at Athens, Tenn., walking two miles. After the death of his father he boarded with Mr. David Pearce, cutting wood and making fires in part payment of his board. In this school he studied Latin, Greek, and the higher mathematics. To secure the means of going to school, he alternated between teaching school and going to school; so that, although not a graduate, he became a scholar of considerable thoroughness. In 1869 he was promoted to the degree of Royal Arch Mason, having taken the degree of Master Mason. He was licensed to preach May 15, 1869, on the Athens circuit, under Rev. R. M. Hickey, presiding elder. The following autumn he joined the Holston Conference at Abingdon, Virginia, and was appointed to the Hendersonville circuit in North Carolina, where he spent three years, having revivals at all his appointments. Having traveled one year, and passing on the two years' course of study, he was ordained Deacon at the Conference in Wytheville, in 1870. At the Conference in 1872 he was appointed in charge of the Abingdon circuit, with the venerable Joseph Haskew as assistant preacher. During the following summer his health failed, and his place was supplied by the Rev. H. W. Bays. At the Conference of 1873 he was appointed to the South Chattanooga station. While here he was united in marriage to the older daughter of the Rev. John Boring of the Holston Conference. At the Conference of 1874 he was ordained Elder, and was appointed to the Mossy Creek station. At the next Conference he was granted a supernumerary relation, which relation he sustained for several years, till he was placed on the superannuated list, where he remained till called to his reward. Being no longer able to do effective work, he engaged in teaching and opened the Watauga Institute for young ladies at Austin's Springs, Washington county, Tennessee, in 1877. The following year he moved to Texas and took charge of the Rosston High School, his wife assisting him. In 1879 his health gave way and he was forced to abandon teaching. The next year he returned to Tennessee; but his health continued to decline until he was paralyzed in his lower limbs, so that it was with difficulty that he could walk with a cane in each hand. For several months before the last Conference he was confined to his room and bed and came near dying; but when autumn came he rallied to some extent, and was able to attend the Conference at Bristol. After that he continually declined. Brother Ball was a professor of Sanctification. We give the account of his experience of that work in his own language. He says:

"At Rufus Edney's, on the Hendersonville circuit, April 22, 1872, I obtained what I considered Sanctification: I found that the doctrine was held in derision

by some of my brethren in high places, and I failed to confess it and preach it as I should have done. Consequently I lost the blessing to a great extent ; but by a renewal of my consecration and the exercise of faith I obtained it again July 16, 1872. O, that holy and inexpressible delight I now feel in the life-giving blood !”

Most of the facts given above and the testimony just quoted were noted by Brother Ball and left to be used by his friend, the Rev. William P. Baker, the summer before the Conference at Bristol.

In the estimation of the brethren generally, Brother Ball was a good man. He was a long and great sufferer, but he bore his afflictions with unusual patience and resignation. Even to the last he greatly desired to regain his health that he might resume the work of the ministry, expressing himself as being willing to go as missionary to any part of the globe.

In the sketch of Brother Ball, which we have freely used, Brother Baker says : “During the Conference of 1883, he spent a few days with the writer in his mountain home, where our personal acquaintance commenced. We found him to be a man of sweet and excellent spirit ; and, although he was passing through trials of the greatest magnitude, such as few are called to pass through, yet in all our intercourse, both personal and by letter, he never uttered or penned a word of unkind feeling toward anyone.”

His last days were spent in the house of his sister, Mrs. Eliza E. Weir, of McMinn county, Tennessee, by whom he was cared for during his last few months. He was confined to his bed three or four months, patiently waiting for his departure and desiring to go. He had prayed that he might have an easy passage out of the world. His prayer was answered, and he passed away like one going to sleep. He was buried beside his father and mother at Spring Creek Camp Ground. He literally went home to die, and now he has gone to a higher and better home to live forever. He leaves a little son and daughter to the care of pious friends, who will train them for God and Heaven.

JOHN D. BALDWIN.

John D. Baldwin was born in what was then Hawkins county, Tenn., near Sneedville, now the county seat of Hancock county, March 28, 1818. He was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal church in 1842. He was at his death 67 years and nearly two months old.

Bro. Baldwin was licensed to exhort by the Rev. J. C. Hendergrass in 1844, and September 12, 1884, was licensed to preach. The Rev. Wm. Sturges being preacher-in-charge. At the conference held by Bishop Capers, at Abingdon, in October, 1850, he was admitted on trial into the Holston conference.

He was admitted to full membership in the conference and ordained deacon by Bishop Capers at the conference at Ashville in 1852. In 1854 he was ordained elder by Bishop Pierce at the conference held at Cleveland, Tenn., that year. At the time of his death he had been an itinerant preacher for over 34 years.

His first appointment was the Sneedville Mission. He next traveled the Greeneville circuit ; then the Asheville circuit, and was also stationed at Tazewell, Tenn. He afterwards filled a number of other responsible charges.

For a few years prior to his decease Bro. Rev. Baldwin had been on the supernumerary list. He was a man of strong faith, sound mind and deep piety. As a preacher he was above the mediocrity. Thoroughly orthodox and well versed in the doctrines of Methodism, he was their bold champion on all occasions where they were misrepresented or misunderstood. He was fond of polemics, and was a strong and clear debater ; but he was a man of meek tem-

perament, and he always manifested great respect for his antagonist and charity for the cause which his antagonist represented.

Filled with the spirit of our Lord, he loved all Christian people and, as far as possible, lived peaceably with all men; but when the truth, as he understood it, required his defense, he could defend it in love; he handled error plainly, but dealt tenderly with its advocate; he used hard arguments and soft words.

He was a man of tender feelings, generous heart and noble bearing, but strong in his convictions of truth and right. No toil, no sacrifice, no hardship was too great to be endured by him for Christ's sake.

His life was but the outward utterance of deep inward conditions wrought in him by the word and spirit God. As a friend he was devoted and true; as a citizen he was a model of uprightness and fidelity; as a husband and father he was tender, affectionate and exemplary. The close of such a life could not fail to be peaceful. He has entered into a great reward. He left a pious wife and promising children to mourn his loss and emulate his piety.

REV. TIMOTHY SULLINS.

Timothy Sullins was born in Blount county, Tenn., Dec. 4, 1812. He was a son of Nathan and Rebecca Sullins. His father removed to a place two miles west of what is now Athens, Tenn., when Timothy was only eight years old. He obtained the principal part of his education in a log school house, built near what is now the southern suburbs of that town.

He professed a change of heart and joined the M. E. Church, at Cedar Springs Camp Grounds, not far from Athens, in early youth.

Bro. Sullins was a little over twenty years of age when he was licensed to preach at Cedar Springs Camp Ground. In a few days afterwards he was received into the Holston Conference, which met at Kingsport, Tenn., and appointed to Lee Circuit as assistant with Asbury Brook.

His pastoral charges after that, up to the time of the failure of his health, were Washington Circuit, two years; Knoxville Station, Evansboro (Wytheville) Circuit; three years in the agency of Emory and Henry College; Knoxville Station, two years; Lafayette District, Knoxville District, two years.

In 1835 he was received into full connection in the Conference and ordained deacon. In 1837 he was ordained elder. His appointment to the college agency occurred in 1838. In 1843 he was appointed presiding elder.

Creed Fulton was the actual founder of Emory and Henry College, and the chief glory of the inauguration of that enterprise properly belongs to him; but among those who share the glory with him none deserve more credit than Timothy Sullins. For three years he traveled on foot, on horseback, in buggies and in stage coaches, by day and by night, in all kinds of weather, preaching, speech-making, soliciting subscriptions and collecting accounts. He was a prodigious worker, and absolutely indefatigable. The zeal of the Lord's house literally ate him up.

The presiding eldership at that day was not only a very responsible, but a very laborious office; the fields were extensive, the rides long, the roads rough and the demands for sermons from the presiding elder exorbitant. Brother Sullins was a man of robust health, cheerful, hopeful disposition, and he was withal a fluent, magnetic speaker. He was a man of deep piety, and he had caught the itinerant fire. His popularity caused heavy demands on his working ability. He had the utmost confidence in his powers of endurance, and he was unstinted in his labors.

His last year in the presiding eldership was peculiarly laborious. Immediately preceding the conference at Wytheville, beginning Oct. 21, 1849, he held

ten campmeetings and personally superintended them all; altar-work and all. He labored with mourners, singing and praying with them to late hours in the night. In addition to these minor labors he did his share of the preaching. He was not a boisterous preacher; but his power of body and mind and heart were all brought into vigorous requisition in his sermons. He was not only argumentative but hortatory. He imitated the preachers of his day in following the body of the sermon by close, affectionate, earnest, importunate exhortation; a process that drew heavily upon the nerve force of the man. The weather was sultry, thus increasing the strain upon his health. But he suspected no danger. He had never been sick a day in his life, why should he fear? His frame was large, well-built and well proportioned; he was ruddy and full-fleshed; his heart was "as light as a blossom in June;" he had the muscles of a giant and the activity of a deer. No wonder that this God-intoxicated man, "full of the Holy Ghost and of faith," with the fields white to the harvest, felt that he might thrust in his sickle day and night and reap for garner in the sky without apprehension of physical collapse. But he was mistaken. He had over-calculated his strength.

On his way to conference at Wytheville he was stricken with paralysis at the home of Mr. John Campbell, in Abingdon, Virginia, and remained sixteen days without taking food into the stomach. He suffered little or no pain. For three months he did not arise from his bed without aid.

Stricken down in the pride of his manhood and at once bereft of the power to do good in any great degree, strange to say, he was all the while cheerful. The grace of God was sufficient for him. He that had been so ready to work was now equally ready to suffer. No longer able to glorify God in labor abundant, he is content to glorify Him in weakness extreme. The flower now trampled under foot and bruised has lost the glory of its brilliant hues and is content to scatter its fragrance upon the passing breezes. At the Wytheville Conference he was appointed to Abingdon Station and returned next year. As soon as he was able to go about he did what he could as preacher and pastor.

After this Bro. Sullins was made effective occasionally, but his paralytic stroke left him only a tithe of what he had been. For his last 38 years he considered his life almost a blank as to effective labor.

He was united in happy wedlock to Miss Mary Rogers, of Knoxville, Tenn., Jan. 28, 1858. In April, 1864, Bro. Sullins was arrested as a prisoner of war by the Federal authorities, and was kept in custody at Knoxville for eight months. While he was away from his home his forests were destroyed and his farm plundered of almost everything that could be carried off. Stripped and impoverished as he was, he removed to Athens, where his wife engaged in teaching.

We are left no space for a set estimate of the character of this truly great man. He was a man of no mean rank in point of intellect. If his health had been preserved, he would have risen to the first position in the church. He had a logical mind, with considerable strength of imagination. He was social in a high degree. He was eminently gentle in his disposition. He was always happy in himself and charitable in his disposition towards others. Kindness characterized his words and his judgments. One talent of his we have failed to mention; that of song. Those who knew him in his prime say that he was a sweet singer. His voice was strong and musical and adapted to the ready expression of every emotion, which it is the province of song to embody. It could reach the majesty of the thunder's roar, or touch the tenderest chords of sympathy in notes as soft as an Æolian harp. He has been heard to sing "Watchman tell us of the night," and fill a church with melody. "The Chariot" and "In evil long I took delight," were also favorite hymns with him.

After the manner of preachers of his day he frequently sang a solo before preaching or during the service, and his solos were sometimes more efficacious

to arouse feeling than the most studied sermon. The solos were not operatic like some we hear now. They were nature's own melodies, filling and overflowing the heart, floating out upon an atmosphere of the Holy Spirit in waves of ecstasy.

The esteem in which he was held by his conference may be judged of the fact that he was several times elected a delegate to the General Conference, and was a member of the convention that met in Louisville in 1845.

In the last interview the writer had with Brother Sullins he remarked. "God has been good to me. He has led me all day. I am not only willing to die, but sometimes anxious to depart. There is such a thing as a man living too long. I have been a trouble to my friends, though they will not allow me to say so."

His last illness lasted only a few days. There was a gradual giving away of the forces of action. February 18, 1885, he fell asleep in Jesus.

He quietly rests in Gray Cemetery, Knoxville, Tenn.

He left a devoted Christian wife, but no children.

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REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF EDUCATION ON PAINE INSTITUTE.

Paine Institute.—The committee appointed to consider so much of the communication of Rev. W. C. Dunlap, commissioner of education, as relates to a request for a contribution from our conference beg leave to report for adoption the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, a liberal gentleman has proposed to give \$25,000 towards the endowment of Paine Institute on condition that the church will furnish grounds and buildings.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Institute has asked the conference to raise \$15,000 with which to procure grounds and erect buildings, and has apportioned the amount among the conferences, and WHEREAS, eight hundred and seventy-five dollars has been apportioned to our conference; therefore,

Resolved, That our conference assume this amount and our board of finance is requested to apportion this amount among the districts, to be raised in the same manner as the other collections, but during the first part of the year.

Respectfully submitted,

R. N. PRICE,
D. SULLINS,
FRANK RICHARDSON.

"D."

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The Board of Education, charged with the duty of carefully considering the educational work and interests of our Conference, submit the following report:

We assume that the relations of the church to the masses of the people should and must very largely determine the character and methods of her educational work.

Whilst, therefore, we are evermore asking ourselves what as a church we can do to help educate the masses of the people, and especially to qualify our own sons and daughters to achieve usefulness and honorable success in life, might it

not be well to inquire what we can do as one of the largest, richest and most influential christian organizations to save ourselves from the *responsibility of their intellectual degeneracy and mental ruin?*

It is not enough that the education of this age, in so far as it is furnished by our church, be as good as that of any preceding age.

It must be better. It must not only satisfy the "foods of curiosity" by aptness, originality and freshness, but it must take on a broader type, and get a firmer grasp on the basal truths and practical ethics of the christian system.

It must satisfy man's greatest needs for this life; and inasmuch as man is better than an animal in origin, endowment and destiny, he must be so educated as to qualify him to live better than the animal, and demonstrate his claims to a grander and nobler existence.

Theories of education *without Christ*, practically *end in corruption and crime*. Christian morality infinitely transcends in value mere intellectual culture. The only natural philosophy of the moral universe, therefore, is christian philosophy. A godless education leads to the devil. The age, therefore, demands culture of a broad type, which seeks not only to remove the dangers of ignorance, but to indoctrinate our children in the truth.

Forasmuch as "woman is something more than man," it is highly gratifying to be able to note the marked progress of our church in the work of female education. Our facilities for educating the daughters of our church were never, perhaps, so good as they are now. In the leading sections of our Conference we have female schools of high grade, well-furnished and equipped for faithful and efficient instruction.

Reports more or less full from all our schools have been before the Board, from which we summarize briefly and as follows.

Emory and Henry College, after nearly a half century of extraordinary usefulness, is still the pride of our Conference, and has not abated one iota of its claims to our love and cordial support. The resignation of presidency by the Rev. E. E. Hoss, A. M., upon his election to a chair in the Theological Department of Vanderbilt University, devolved upon the joint boards the necessity of finding a new president.

The board of trustees and visitors unanimously elected Prof. T. W. Jordan, A. M., to the presidency, who entered upon his labors at the opening of the present term. The college, he reports, has over one hundred students present. Good order and harmony exists among students and faculty.

Dr. S. M. Barton, Prof. of Mathematical Astronomy, is the only new professor. He is reported to be eminent in scholarship, and is a christian gentleman of a high type.

The Endowment Fund now stands at \$59,000.

The moral status of the college is excellent. Over 70 per cent. of the students are in the Y. M. C. Association. The outlook of the college is encouraging, and its property is in better condition than it has been for years.

Martha Washington College, in Abingdon, Va., is one of our oldest and most highly prized Institutions of female learning.

It is being well managed by the Board of Trust, who leased it for five years to Dr. E. E. Wiley and John L. Buchanan. The lessees have maintained without abatement its high and excellent standard of scholarship in all the departments of science and art. They have a full and competent faculty. There are some 36 boarders. Its numbers ought to be doubled. These brethren deserve well of the church for their self-sacrificing labors in behalf of one of our most valuable Institutions.

The Board commends its claims to all our people who desire to have their daughters in contact with superior facilities for education in its high and true sense. It is a valuable property, and "beautiful for situation."

Sullin's College, also a school of female learning, is located in Bristol. It is still under the presidency of Rev. D. S. Hearon, A. M., a most faithful and successful educator. He has been re-elected for a term of five years, and has accepted the office. He reports about 170 students already enrolled, more than were enrolled during the entire past year. Thirty-four of them are boarders. President Hearon seeks to make Sullin's College a Christian home for school girls. We would bespeak for this school a liberal patronage.

Hiwassee College, under the care and efficient management of President J. H. Bruner, A. M., assisted by a corps of competent teachers, is still accomplishing a valuable work in behalf of christian education in the southern half of our Conference. The board of trustees and friends of the college have secured funds with which to erect a new building; and when finished it will greatly enlarge its present facilities for usefulness to the church and country.

Its handsome biennial catalogue embracing both departments, shows an enrollment of 222 students. Its outlook for the future is very encouraging.

Victoria College, the Female Department of Hiwassee College, is located in Sweetwater, Tenn., and is still under the immediate management of Miss Anu A. Patton, an accomplished and efficient teacher. The catalogue indicates a good patronage.

We commend these schools to the good will and support of our people. Help them by your money and by your patronage. We believe the present relation of these two schools is best for both.

Weaverville College, remains under the presidency of Rev. D. Atkins, A. M., and is steadily growing in favor and usefulness. It has a faculty of five excellent instructors, with seventy-five students now enrolled. They hope to reach one hundred.

The college has been enlarged by the building of a dormitory with eight good rooms. The whole is valued at \$8,000. There are some advanced students. This institution is operated upon the plan of co-education; and deserves to be encouraged and fostered. It is essential to our complete church work in North Carolina. Living is comparatively cheap. We urge our people in Western North Carolina to give it their hearty support.

People's College, located at Pikeville, Tenn., occupies a very important section of our conference territory. It is an imposing and handsome edifice, out of debt, and worth \$15,000. President C. C. Fisher, A. M., is assisted by a number of excellent teachers in both the male and female departments. Beginning the present year with eighty-one pupils, they now number 106.

They have from thirty to forty boarders, and are well organized for thorough work. The property is in good condition. The board of visitation make a very gratifying report of the work and methods of this school. The college is represented as having attained a higher degree of prosperity under its present management than at any former time in its history.

People's College deserves, and will have, we trust, the cordial support of our people in lower East Tennessee.

Asheville Female College is reported by the president, Rev. Jas. Atkins, jr., A. M., as in a prosperous condition. Opening with 108 pupils, they now have 168, with seven teachers in full work, and believed to be eminently fitted for their work.

President Atkins has made better arrangements for music. He has also added another green-house with a large number of plants for botanical observation.

The buildings are being painted and renewed wherever needed inside and out. The Institution has steadily grown until it is now, perhaps, one of the largest Female Schools in North Carolina. It has, as it deserves, a liberal patronage from our people.

Centenary Female College, located at Cleveland, Tenn., having been projected by the friends of christian education some fifteen months ago, is now about finished, lacking some painting, the building of some fences and the opening of walks.

This beautiful and valuable property, costing some \$20,000, when finished, has been tendered as a gift in fee simple to the Holston Conference, M. E. Church, South, to be and remain under its auspices and fostering care as a Seminary of Female Learning of high grade.

The Board of Trustees have also turned over to the Conference through your Board of Education the deeds to the land (a lot of six acres within the corporate limits of Cleveland) and the charter of incorporation (see paper of tender marked "A"); and they ask you to appoint a board of nine visitors, as provided in the charter, to perform the duties usually assigned to such boards. By the general laws of the State of Tennessee, the charter of incorporation empowers the Conference to make such by-laws or ratifications of existing regulations as may be necessary to promote the ends for which the institution has been founded.

Your Board of Education has suggested the propriety of a few changes, more fully conforming the management of the institution to their wishes, to which the present Board of Trustees have readily assented.

Rev. David Sullins, D. D., has been chosen to preside over the fortunes of this new institution. There are associated with him an able and faithful corps of instructors in all the leading departments.

The internal arrangements of this elegant building are all that could be desired, and when furnished according to the style proposed, will afford to our patrons and friends a school home of rare elegance and unsurpassed comfort.

We congratulate the good people of Cleveland and our church, as represented by this body of ministers and laymen, upon the happy and successful consummation of this extraordinary undertaking. It is, indeed, a beautiful and befitting commemoration of our centenary era just passed. We would bespeak for this new child of providence a wise and loving care on the part of the faculty and board of trustees, and the sympathy and cordial support of our people. Centenary Female College has already opened with 64 pupils, and will, we hope, make itself worthy of a generous patronage in common with all our schools.

District High Schools.—The board learns with pleasure of the successful operation of High Schools in most of our districts. They should be encouraged and abetted by our presiding elders and pastors. We must educate, educate.

The board offers the following resolutions:

1. That we recommend the appointment of Rev. James Atkins, jr., to the presidency of Asheville Female College.
2. That we request the presidents or principals of all our Church schools, male or female, to prepare a complete tabulated statement of all the facts concerning our schools and colleges, asked for by the General Conference, and furnish the same to our delegates to be laid before that body.

Resolved, That as a Conference we do hereby accept the Centenary Female College under our auspices and control as a school of female learning of a high grade, as formally tendered to us by the board of trustees—the incorporators mentioned by name in the charter—in fee simple, and with no present liabilities not provided for by a solvent subscription, and with the pledge of the present board of trustees that hereafter no debt shall be created endangering the property, of which Judge J. B. Hoyle is chairman.

JAMES S. KENNEDY, PRESIDENT.

J. N. LOTSPEICH, SECRETARY.
OCTOBER 28th, 1885.

REPORT No. 2.

The Board of Education have had under consideration the matters referred to them concerning the Paine Institute, located at Augusta, Ga., and designed to encourage Christian education by the colored people among themselves.

We regard the enterprise as a very important one in its bearings upon the future history and fortunes of the colored people, and as furnishing a fine field for missionary work in behalf of that race.

Rev. W. C. Dunlap, commissioner for that enterprise, is in our midst and represents the undertaking as full of promise and entirely worthy of the confidence and sympathy of our people everywhere. We commend him and the cause he represents to the good-will and support of all who feel that they can aid in building and fostering so important a Christian undertaking.

JAMES S. KENNEDY, President.

J. N. LOTSPEICH, Secretary.

TENDER OF CENTENARY FEMALE COLLEGE TO THE HOLSTON ANNUAL CONFERENCE, M. E. CHURCH SOUTH.

In the year of our Lord, 1884, the Rev. Geo. W. Miles, presiding elder of the Chattanooga District, George R. Stewart, preacher in charge of Cleveland Station, and many citizens, irrespective of church relations, determined upon an effort to supply a long felt want by the erection of a female college at Cleveland, Tenn., and in pursuance of their determination procured subscriptions amounting to the present date, to about the sum of \$16,000, and in April of the present year procured a Charter of Incorporation from the state of Tennessee, which is submitted with this report, giving to the institution the name of Centenary Female College, and authorizing its management under the auspices of the Holston Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church South. The charter herewith submitted contains the requisite number of trustees for the procurement of the charter, with whom other trustees are now associated, and the charter is believed to be in all respects in conformity with the laws of the state of Tennessee. It is properly authenticated and duly registered. John H. Parker kindly donated to the trustees about six acres of ground in his addition to the town of Cleveland, an admirable site indeed, a lovely one, for the location of the building, and has executed a deed in fee simple for the same. It too, has been properly acknowledged and registered in the appropriate office. Of the amount subscribed \$9,479.38 have been collected and expended in the erection of a building, and in addition to this the college has borrowed of Hardwick & Parker the sum of \$1,666 and given the note of the college for it. The college also borrowed from the bank \$3,500, and executed their note for this sum with C. L. Hardwick, J. B. Hoyle and John H. Parker as surities thereon. These sums have likewise been expended on the building, making an aggregate of expenditure on the building of \$16,345.38, less one hundred dollars that has been paid for seats and desks, leaving still due on seats and desks—.

These loans to the college were obtained on account of the delay of payment of subscriptions and with the view of hastening the completion of the building, which was esteemed, and was in fact, very important.

TO RECAPITULATE—Subscriptions taken amount to over \$16,000. Of this amount \$9,479 have been paid, leaving \$6,527 which is now being paid as it matures. Upon this unpaid subscription the liberal gentlemen mentioned (namely, Hardwick, Parker and Hoyle) advanced \$5,166 against \$6,527. The lot of land is not included in the \$16,000. It is worth \$2,500. There is a small debt for furniture, say from \$1,800 to \$2,000. The cash and subscrip-

tions taken during this conference will meet this and make up for any loss on the former \$1,600 taken and nearly all our pressing wants.

The building is now complete, with the exception of a good deal of painting that is yet to do. A school has been opened in it with pupils now numbering 64.

Dr. David Sullins has been elected president, and Rev. George R. Stuart and Rev. J. A. Stubblefield as professors, who have employed competent female music and art teachers.

On the above statement of facts we tender to the Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South Centenary Female College, located at Cleveland, Tennessee, as a Centenary offering, to be operated and controlled as provided by the charter, hoping it may prove a power in the diffusion of Christian education throughout these lands, and also a blessing to the church.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. B. HOYL, PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

JOHN H. PARKER,	} TRUSTEES.
JAMES H. BIBLE,	
S. P. GAUT,	
P. B. MAYFIELD,	
G. A. LONG,	
JOHN GOODNER,	
C. L. HARDWICK,	

“E.”

BOARD OF FINANCE.

Report of E. B. Robertson, Treasurer.

BISHOPS FUND.

	<i>Dr.</i>
To amount received from pastors.....	\$751 53
	<i>Cr.</i>
By amount paid Bishop Keener in cash, October 27, 1885.....	\$694 28
By receipts for amounts received by Bishops McTyerie and Wilson during year	57 25
Total disbursements.....	\$751 53
Total receipts.....	751 53

CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS.

	<i>Dr.</i>
1. To amount received from pastors	\$1,486 77
2. “ Interest on Ambrister fund.....	142 55
3. “ Interest on Billhart fund.....	120 00
4. “ Interest on Waugh fund	21 00
5. “ Interest on Preachers Aid Society.....	38 70
6. “ Interest on Colvin fund.....	25 80
7. “ Public Collection at Conference.....	31 72
8. “ Special donation from Rev. J. A. Lyons	10 00
Total	\$1,875 77

DISBURSEMENT OF CONFERENCE COLLECTION.

By amount paid out to the several claimants, including \$25 80 Colvin Fund.
Distributed as follows:

	Cr.		Cr.
Rev. S. D. Gaines	\$ 112 90	Mrs. O. F. Cunningham....	\$ 69 80
“ L. C. Delashmit	112 90	“ Munsey and 4 child'n .	71 80
“ J. N. S. Huffaker.....	92 00	“ Wm. Hicks	69 80
“ W. H. Cooper.....	69 00	“ T. Sullins.....	82 00
“ W. M. Kerr.....	46 00	“ C. Mitchell.....	56 00
“ T. J. Pope.....	37 00	“ Lyons and 3 child'n....	57 50
“ T. F. Smyth	23 00	“ C. Long	46 70
“ J. C. Lowe	15 00	“ E. L. Barrett and child.	47 20
Mrs. J. D. Baldwin	50	“ U. Keener	46 70
“ S. Alexander	32 90	“ Mary Goodykountz....	46 70
“ John Reynolds.....	50	“ W. B. Pickens.....	46 70
“ D. B. Carter	23 60	“ W. K. Foster	37 50
“ L. W. Thompson	23 60	“ W. Boring	32 90
Rev. Farley's 3 children.....	1 50	“ W. B. Winton	37 50
“ Crawford's 3 children .	29 20	“ Avery and 2 children .	70 80
Master Linnie Grant	9 70	“ E. K. Hutsell	23 60
Rev. Wm. Robeson	10 00	“ J. M. Crismond.....	50
Mrs. W. W. Neal	93 50	Master Joseph McGhee.....	9 70
“ G. W. Martin.....	123 00	“ Willie Dickey.....	50
“ A. G. Blankenbeckler.	95 00	Rev. Ball's two children.....	1 00
“ A. T. Brooks.....	69 00	Mutilated coin, station'ry, etc.	1 07
Total			\$1,875 77

E. B. ROBERTSON, Treasurer.

ASSESSMENTS, 1885-6.

The Joint Board of Finance have assessed the Conference \$3,000 for Conference claimants. The Committee on Episcopacy have assessed us \$1,000 for Bishops' Fund. We make distribution of these amounts, together with \$875 ordered by the Conference for Paine Institute, to the several districts as follows:

Districts.	Bishops fund.	Conference collection.	Paine Institute.
Wytheville.....	\$ 95 00	\$277 00	\$84 00
Jeffersonville.....	85 00	248 00	74 00
Marion	105 00	310 00	90 00
Abingdon	105 00	310 00	96 00
Jonesboro.....	85 00	250 00	74 00
Morristown.....	105 00	305 00	91 00
Knoxville	100 00	320 00	87 00
Chattanooga.....	95 00	320 00	84 00
Sequatchee	65 00	165 00	56 00
Asheville.....	105 00	315 00	91 00
Franklin	55 00	180 00	48 00
Total.....	\$1,000 00	\$3,000 00	\$875 00

J. T STOVER, Secretary.

A. J. FRAZIER, President.

REPORT OF TREASURER BOARD OF MISSIONS.

1885. *H. W. BAYS, Treasurer in account.**Dr.*

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

To amounts collected from the several charges, including one-half of the anniversary collection and amount from Webster Circuit not reported last year.....\$4,609 00

Cr.

By amount sent D. C. Kelley, Treas., before conference \$ 934 00
 By amount of exchange, &c..... 15 00
 By amount sent D. C. Kelley since conference..... 3,300 00
 By amount in Treasurer's hands, including some subscriptions of anniversary not yet collected..... 360 00

Total\$4,609 00

CARTER AND KENEDY.

Dr.

To amount collected from the charges and still in hands of Treas., as part of the amount has been collected since conference....\$ 12 50

H. W. BAYS, Treasurer.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., November 10, 1885.

H. W. BAYS, Treasurer in account.

HOME MISSIONS.

Dr.

To amount received from the several pastoral charges, including one half anniversary collection, and amount from Webster Circuit not reported last year.....\$3,020 35
 To amount from last year..... 327 73

Total\$3,348 08

Cr.

By amount paid missionaries on last year's drafts.....\$ 936 00
 By amount paid missionaries on drafts of 1884—85..... 2,317 67
 By amount sundries, including amount to Robinsville Chapel..... 85 00
 By amount in hands of Treasurer..... 9 41

Total\$3,348 08

H. W. BAYS, Treasurer.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., November 18, 1885.

CHURCH EXTENSION REPORT.

J. W. GAUT, Treasurer—

In account with Church Extension Society Holston Conference :

To amount on hand as shown by last annual report
 Bristol, Oct., 1884.....\$ 575 55

Amount received from Rev. Jas. Atkins, Agent, Centenary Committee.....		500 00
Amount collected at conference, Cleveland, Oct., 1885, \$678 85		
50 per cent. remitted to D. Mortin, D. D. Sec'y Gen'l Board Louisville.....	339 43—	339 43
		<u>\$1,414 98</u>
		<i>Cr.</i>

By amounts paid all the appropriations made by the
Board at its last annual meeting, viz :

To Elk Park church, N. C.....	\$100 00	
" Church in Buchanan, Va	100 00	
" Centenary church Knoxville City Mission.....	200 00	
" Church Wallace Switch, Va.....	150 00	
" Jamestown Mission.....	75 00	
" Church Red Hill, Bradley county, Tenn.,.....	100 00	
" Church Jamestown Mission.....	75 00—	825 00

Subject to draft at this date,.....\$ 589,98

J. W. GAUT, Treasurer, (Office, Knoxville, Tenn.)

KNOXVILLE, TENN., October 26, 1885.

ASSESSMENT FOR CHURCH EXTENSION, 1885-6.

The following assessments were made for Church Extension purposes for the
Conference year 1885-6 :

Wytheville District.....	\$ 280 00
Marion District.....	363 49
Jeffersonville District.....	333 27
Abingdon District.....	342 37
Jonesboro District.....	242 34
Morrisstown District.....	307 44
Knoxville District.....	276 15
Chattanooga District	266 56
Sequatchee District.....	162 26
Asheville District	334 53
Franklin District.....	245 98

Total\$3,154 39

FRANK RICHARDSON, President.

JOHN W. PAULETT, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee on Sunday schools report a gratifying advance in numbers of pupils, in the circulation of our literature and in moneys expended in the furtherance of this work.

Most of our pastors are holding this work well in hand ; a number, however, are still sadly negligent.

Our Sunday school literature, edited by Dr. Cunnyngnam and Bro Lyons, of our conference, is equal to, if not superior in matter, mechanical execution and price to any denominational literature in the land.

It is well adapted to our diversified wants, and should be in the hands of *all our children*.

We are glad to have had Dr. Cunyningham and Bro. Lyons with us. We assure them of our continued affection and prayers. We trust it will be the pleasure of the next General Conference to continue them in the positions they so worthily fill.

Our statistics show an increase of 4,656 scholars. Making due allowance for some discrepancies, we show a net increase of from 1,500 to 2,000.

Let us thank God and take courage.

W. W. BAYS, Chairman.

W. W. STRINGFIELD, Secretary.

"H."

REPORT ON SPIRITUAL STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Your committee on the spiritual state of the church beg to report :

Reviewing, as best the facilities at our command have enabled us, the history of the conference year just closed, we note as especial occasion for gratitude :

First, that there seems to have been a right general disposition to heed what has seemed to us a right generally recognized Providential call to elevate the masses of our church membership into a higher type of Christian life. This, we think, has been seen in an increased tendency toward preaching in simple statement the cardinal doctrines and practical duties of Christianity; in an enhanced appreciation of a faithful administration of discipline, and of the usages and institutions of Methodism.

Secondly, we note as occasion for gratitude, that while there are places in which no revivals have occurred, still the year has been one of a more than ordinary prevalence of revivals. Especially we note that the pastoral charges located in the cities have been the scenes of unusual revival interest. We have noted that these revivals have been conducted in uncompromising war on popular vices and worldly amusements, in the employment of the usages and methods of Methodism and, for the most part, under the ministry of the regular pastorate; though, in a few places, in a large part under that of evangelists belonging to our own denomination, and that in many places the experience and classmeeting seems to have been singularly blessed by the Holy Spirit, especially in conserving the fruits of these meetings.

Thirdly, we note gratefully that the collections have been so large, notwithstanding the money panic oppressing the country.

In view of the foregoing

Resolved, 1st, That we devoutly thank God for the peace and prosperity of the year just closed.

2nd, That we recognize the necessity that our people be guiltless of the sin of covetousness, and abstain from questionable and worldly amusements and indulgences.

3rd, That thankful to God for the office and work of the evangelist, we will not forget the responsibilities of our offices as regular pastors on which the vast multitudes depend for the gospel, and that in this day when God is signally blessing the office of the evangelist, we will as shepherds of the flocks, be on guard against the unauthorized and self-constituted evangelist.

5th, That we are thankful to God for the armor of Methodist doctrine, institution, usage and method with which he has enabled us to triumph in the past. We will not lay it aside for other and untried panoply.

6th, That in the ends of spiritual culture we will as pastors, adopt as one of

the mottoes by which to be guided during the coming year, "A religious paper in every Methodist home and a missionary contribution from every member of the church."

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM ROBESON, Chairman.

D. S. HEARON, Secretary.

"I."

CHURCH PROPERTY.

Your committee on Church Property beg leave to submit the following report :

We have collected all the reports of preachers, but found many of them imperfect ; consequently we had much trouble in preparing this report. We have, with considerable care, prepared a statistical table of each of the ten districts, showing the number of churches and parsonages, together with their value, and including the value of other church property without, however, specifying the kind. We also made a showing of the amount of money expended for church repairs and buildings for the past year. There has been an increase of churches in all the districts save the Jeffersonville and Asheville ; in each of these there is a decrease of two churches. The total increase throughout the Conference is 24. The increase in parsonages is only 3. There has been an increase in church property in every district save the Asheville and Knoxville ; the decrease in the latter is accounted for in this way : In the Madisonville circuit last year church property was valued at \$35,000. It should have been \$15,000, as reported this year. While there appears by this to be a decrease of \$20,000, by a correct valuation there has been an increase in this (Knoxville) district of some \$3,000. The increase in the whole Conference appears to be \$68,020. There has been raised for repairing churches and parsonages the sum of \$55,740.25.

In further discharge of our duties we lay the following before this Conference :

WHEREAS, under the present unauthorized custom of valuing church property great disparity in figures is had ; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That the provisions of the discipline be strictly adhered to, and to this end the Presiding Elders be and are hereby instructed to take such steps as will insure a full and complete valuation of church property for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH STRAS, Chairman.

W. W. STRINGFIELD, Secretary.

"K."

REPORT ON BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

Your Committee on Books and Periodicals beg leave to submit the following :

We are not able to present a tabulated report, but feel safe in saying that the year has witnessed a healthful increase in the circulation of religious literature. Men need religious knowledge as they need bread to eat or raiment to put on. The world and the wicked one are quick to apprehend this basal principle, Hence, the whole earth is being flooded with secular, trashy and vile publications. There is danger that they will take the crown of the Church, and to prevent disaster, she must accelerate her work of enlightening and saving men.

We beg our people to recognize the fact that to meet this great intell ectual and spiritual want of our southland, God is raising up a corps of writers and

editors such as the South has never had before. We exhort them to purchase and read these books, "thirty-seven" of which have issued from our Publishing House in the last year.

To succeed in this noble enterprise the preachers must head the movement. Among many things essential to symmetry in ministerial character we mention : book-reading and book-selling. In the latter some of our preachers are defective. In fact very few sell books as they should. Every Methodist preacher ought to read and sell Methodist books, from Wesley's Sermons to McTyiere's History of Methodism.

Our Sunday School literature holds grandly on its way. Its able and faithful editors went out from us and are still of us. We hold them in the highest love and esteem. Nevertheless, we deem it our duty to note what appears to us as evils in incipient form : First—a disposition on the part of the people to let the editors do all the *thinking*. Second—to set aside the Bible, as such, in the study of the lesson. The primary design in the preparation of this literature is not to displace the Word of the Lord, but to help in the acquisition of a saving knowledge thereof. In this abuse we do not blame the editors, but we do caution the preachers and the people.

We would invite careful attention to our local publications, viz : The *Holston Methodist* and the HOLSTON ANNUAL. It is self-evident that the *Holston Methodist* is a desideratum. Every member of the Church should read it. Then its circulation promotes that of other Church papers and those that are published at a distance. The HOLSTON ANNUAL is essential to an intelligent and accurate knowledge of Church trial and Church triumph. The sooner it finds a welcome in every Holston Methodist home the better.

The *Christian Advocate*, our connectional organ, should be generally circulated. First—for its intrinsic value ; it is the best Church paper in the South. Second—because its circulation is necessary to the maintenance of connectional unity and purity.

We recommend, for the benefit of our preachers, the *Quarterly Review*, edited by Dr. Hinton, Macon, Ga. He who would keep abreast this age of thought and progress may find, here, pabulum for the head and grace for the heart.

In view of the foregoing,

Resolved, That we renew our efforts to increase the circulation of our books and periodicals.

JAMES I. CASH, Chairman.

REPORT OF BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Board of Missions submit the following report :

In Morristown district the Sneedville mission was absorbed into a circuit.

In the Knoxville district the Eleazer mission was raised to a self-sustaining circuit.

In the Chattanooga district, the Rossville mission was discontinued as a mission, and raised to a station.

In the Sequatchee district, South Pittsburg was raised to a station, and a new mission was formed to be called Battle Creek mission.

In the Asheville district, Asheville City Mission was discontinued.

In the Franklin district, Echota was dropped from the Charleston and Echota mission, and the Charleston mission continued. The Board assessed \$7,500 for Home Missions.

The Board requires that all collections for Home and Foreign Missions be sent to the Treasurer, H. W. Bays, for disbursement.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Board of Missions urge through the columns of the *Holston Methodist* and *Nashville Christian Advocate* the importance of collecting the \$2,500 for Foreign Missions by the 1st of February, 1886.

J. W. SMITH, Secretary.

The following appropriations were made for 1885-6 :

WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT :

Iron Mountain Mission.....\$ 75 00

JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.

Buchanan Mission.....\$ 90 00

Bluestone and Flattop Mission..... 90 00

Pocahontas Mission..... 125 00

ABINGDON DISTRICT.

Bristol City Mission.....\$100 00

Clintwood Mission..... 100 00

JONESBORO DISTRICT.

Erwin Mission.....\$ 75 00

Elizabethton and Cranberry Mission..... 125 00

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

Centenary Mission.....\$200 00

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

Cherry Street Mission.....\$250 00

SEQUATCHEE DISTRICT.

For P. E.....\$150 00

Jamestown Mission..... 100 00

Battle Creek Mission..... 75 00

Grassy Cove Mission..... 75 00

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.

Tow River Mission.....\$ 80 00

Blue Ridge Mission..... 125 00

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.

For P. E.....\$200 00

Robinsville Mission..... 125 00

Highlands Mission..... 125 00

Charleston Mission..... 75 00

Ducktown Mission..... 75 00

The following are the assessments for 1885-6 :

	Home.	Foreign.
Wytheville district.....	\$ 750 00	\$ 970 00
Jeffersonville district.....	625 00	800 00
Marion district.....	752 00	970 00
Abingdon district.....	778 00	1,137 00
Jonesboro district.....	695 00	930 00
Morristown district.....	795 00	1,060 00
Knoxville district.....	692 00	945 00
Chattanooga district.....	650 00	855 00
Sequatchee district.....	380 00	500 00
Asheville district.....	776 00	1,024 00
Franklin district.....	605 00	804 00

J. W. SMITH, Secretary.

TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee beg leave to report as follows :

That intemperance is the greatest evil with which the nineteenth century has had to grapple no one will deny. It is also true that whilst there is a strong temperance sentiment in the land the whisky oligarchy is more insolent, defiant and formidable than ever before. It was predicted by an eminent English historian that our republic would be plundered and laid waste in the 20th century by Huns and Vandals engendered within our own borders and by our own institutions. The Huns and Vandals that threaten to overthrow and destroy our Christian civilization are the 200,000 distillers, brewers and dealers in the United States, who have a powerful national organization and control a capital estimated at \$1,200,000,000. These Huns and Vandals control municipal elections in every city in the Union and constitute a mighty factor in State and National elections. It is impossible to estimate the magnitude and enormity of this great evil.

The New York Grand Jury declared in its report to the Court in 1884, that nearly all the cases of homicide passed upon by them were committed in liquor saloons while the parties were under the influence of strong drink.

Gladstone says : "It inflicts more harm on man than the three great historic scourges, war, famine and pestilence, combined." Eminent lawyers and judges declare that it is responsible for 80 per cent. of all the crime in the United States. Eminent physicians tell us that it is responsible for 35 per cent. of lunacy, for 45 per cent. of idiocy, for 75 to 90 per cent. of pauperism and 10 per cent of deaths.

Your Committee believe that the time has come when high-license and all other compromise measures should be abandoned and heroic measures adopted.

Much has been done, but much more remains to be done. Fourteen States of the Union have favored legal prohibition. Seventeen favor local option in the towns and counties. More than half the territory in the South is already under legal prohibition. In some States high-license has been tried for thirty years and been pronounced by eminent legal authority a sham and a delusion. This system gives the unholy traffic the sanction of law. It is not legal suppression, but legal permission.

This is a great moral question. The pulpit and the press are the great moral educators, and they should awaken the consciousness of the people to a just appreciation of the magnitude of the evil. Let them point out the harm the traffic inflicts upon the individual, the home, and society. Let the public conscience be so roused and stirred that it will outlaw the nefarious traffic and mark it with the stigma of detestation and abhorrence. Let us deepen, intensify and vitalize the religious convictions of the people touching this great reform. Let us settle the issue in our day and not transmit this heritage of woe and misery to our children. We submit for your consideration and adoption the following resolutions :

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, recognize the temperance reform as the greatest and most vital moral issue now before the people.

2nd. That we believe that voluntary total abstinence is the only safe rule for the individual, and that legal prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicants, as a beverage, is the only effectual means of extirpating the great evil.

3rd. That we approve the four-mile law and all other laws enacted by the State of Tennessee for the suppression of intemperance.

4th. That we heartily commend the heroic work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and all other temperance organizations.

5th. That it is the sense of this Conference that instruction should be given in all our colleges, academies and other schools upon the nature of alcohol and its effects upon the human system.

6th. That we will preach, pray, and vote to extirpate this evil.

7th. It is the sense of this body that the people of Tennessee should secure the election of representatives to their next Legislature who will enact a prohibitory law and submit it to the people for ratification, disconnected with party issues.

T. F. GLENN, Chairman.

Statistics of Churches and Sunday Schools.

Number.	Charges.	Local Preachers.	Members.	BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.		
				Adults.	Infants.	Number.	Scholars.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Value.
WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.										
1	Wytheville station		243	20	25	2	250	2	1	\$16,000
2	Wytheville circuit	3	914	16	78	9	920	6	1	11,000
3	Marion station		239	5	24	1	152	1	1	1,500
4	Marion circuit	4	453	21		5	375	6	1	7,800
5	Newburn circuit	1	390	40	25	5	373	3	1	12,290
6	Central circuit	3	229	15	4	3	308	1		2,600
7	Jacksonville circuit	6	265	34	5	5	250	4		3,850
8	Hillsville circuit	7	357	19	10	8	230	6	1	6,150
9	Oldtown circuit	5	314	24	2	5	280	5		5,700
10	Elk Creek circuit	7	1000	60	30	12	800	11	1	13,000
11	Iron Mountain mission	1	36	8	6	2	87			
12	Independence circuit	4	539	9	1	7	476	6	1	7,600
13	Jefferson circuit	6	726	26	9	13	490	9	1	8,000
14	Leadmines circuit	3	465	1	1	8	406	4	1	7,000
15	Mount Airy circuit	3	590	18	19	10	553	8		8,700
16	Sparta circuit	3	501	27	2	6	205	4		2,600
Total		56	7052	343	241	101	6135	76	9	\$113,490
JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.										
1	Jeffersonville station		300	10	15	2	175	3		8,600
2	Liberty Hill circuit		276	7	8	6	286	3	1	4,250
3	Cedar Bluff circuit	2	348	40	10	8	300	6		2,000
4	Saltville circuit	3	591	17	14	9	481	5	1	10,000
5	Sharon Springs circuit	3	368	10	11	3	139	4		5,100
6	Seddon circuit	6	807	22	56	14	650	6	1	7,875
7	Staffordville circuit	3	436	17	18	6	308	6	1	8,000
8	Pearisburg circuit	2	510	24		7	549	5	1	7,000
9	Princeton circuit	6	47	34	35	9	332	3		6,400
10	Concord circuit	4	328	23	5	6	265	5	1	2,000
11	East Tazewell circuit	7	447	48	32	7	260	5	1	7,025
12	Buchanan mission	6	193	6	15	2	120	1		650
13	McDowell mission	1	318	10	9	5	165	1		500
14	Blue Stone and F. T. mission		217	3		5	236	5		1,500
15	Pocahontas mission	2	96	1	14	2	100	1		1,606
16	Clear Fork circuit	4	430	18	30	6	350	6	1	3,900
Total		49	5712	290	272	97	4698	65	8	\$75,800
ABINGDON DISTRICT.										
1	Abingdon station		227	5	1	2	190	1	1	50,000
2	Abingdon circuit	5	718	26	32	12	689	11	1	14,700
3	Emory circuit	9	547	12	9	8	540	6	1	112,600
4	Bristol station	3	393	25	8	1	257	1	1	27,000
5	Bristol circuit	3	410	21	28	5	395	4	1	4,300
6	Bristol City mission									
7	Mendota circuit	1	249	14	9	6	320	4		3,200
8	Lebanon circuit	2	394	7	3	6	439	6	1	9,700
9	Elk Garden circuit	1	443	29	14	5	300	5		7,000
10	Dickinsonville circuit	3	505	25	12	9	561	6	1	11,200
11	Gladville circuit	4	461	47	11	8	515	7	1	7,400
12	Estellville circuit	3	430	20	8	12	500	5	1	6,000
13	Clintwood mission	4	250	8	6	2	110	3		1,500
14	Nickelsville circuit	2	160	2		1	50	3		1,200
Total		40	5177	241	141	77	4866	62	9	\$255,200

STATISTICS, 1885—Continued.

Number.	Charges.	Local Preachers.	Members.	BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.		
				Adults.	Infants.	Number.	Scholars.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Value.
JONESBORO DISTRICT.										
1	Jonesboro & Johnson City sta	....	222	23	11	2	299	2		\$6,375
2	Jonesboro circuit	1	436	48	1	6	281	8	1	7,995
3	Union circuit		434	3	5	1	60	4	1	3,750
4	Blountville circuit	3	685	19	21	5	387	6	1	13,490
5	Kingsport circuit	2	429	15	1	6	378	7	1	2,260
6	Rogersville circuit	2	278	33	27	6	300	6		3,700
7	Greenville circuit	2	322	22	6	6	150	7	1	5,000
8	Rheatsville circuit	4	375	12	6	4	255	5	2	9,500
9	Fall Branch circuit	2	272	16	13	1	20	2	1	1,200
10	Taylorsville circuit		116	11	12	1	50	3	1	2,626
11	Wautauga circuit	7	685	20	1	9	449	8	1	6,600
12	Erwin mission	3	153	3	9			1		600
13	Elizabethan and C. mission	2	160	27		3	160	4		5,350
Total		28	4659	252	113	50	2689	63	10	\$63,446
MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.										
1	Morristown station	1	231			1	120	1		2,000
2	Morristown circuit	1	429	20	10	5	350	7	1	6,800
3	Mossy Creek station		120	11	1	2	114	2	1	2,600
4	Rutledge circuit	5	520	48	4	4	260	8	1	6,750
5	Lazewell circuit	1	350	4	3	4	180	4		1,750
6	Powell's Valley circuit		568	35	9	6	370	9	1	6,150
7	Sneedville mission	2	239	8				3		1,300
8	Jonesville circuit	4	665	36	9	7	600	11	1	13,500
9	Wye Cove circuit	4	540	31	5	6	180	12	1	3,775
10	Newport circuit	1	280	7	6	2	75	8	1	6,800
11	St. Clair circuit	4	293	23	3	3	125	6	1	5,650
12	Strawberry Plains circuit	2	375	6	5	4	125	5	1	7,000
Total		25	4601	228	55	44	2419	76	9	\$63,375
KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.										
1	Knoxville, Church street	2	597	80	6	1	275	1		31,000
2	Knoxville, Broad street	3	490	21	13	1	350	1	1	15,000
3	Knoxville, City mission	2	63	2	4	2	160	2		3,500
4	Knoxville circuit		236	1	1	3	290	6		4,900
5	Saverville circuit	1	295	9		2		5	1	3,750
6	Jacksboro circuit	2	234	9	4	2	95	6	1	4,500
7	Andersonville circuit		374	12	1	2	60	6		3,000
8	Clinton circuit	3	319	12	1	2	150	4	1	3,575
9	Lenoir circuit	1	275	35	5	2	130	4		2,800
10	London circuit	2	290	5		3	150	5	1	4,100
11	Maryville circuit	1	170		2	2	85	5		7,000
12	Madisonville circuit	2	426	6	11	5	225	8		15,000
13	Elizabethton mission	2	453	26	16	6	226	4	1	3,000
Total		21	4231	220	64	33	2201	59	6	\$101,125

STATISTICS, 1885—Continued.

Number.	Charges.	Local Preachers.	Members.	BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.		
				Adults.	Infants.	Number.	Scholars.	Churches.	Personages.	Value.
CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.										
1	Chattanooga, Market Station.	1	418	86	8	300	1	1	\$44,000	
2	Chattanooga, Whiteside station.	3	246	16	6	350	1		6,000	
3	Chattanooga, Cherry station		66	2	5	75	1	...	4,500	
4	Rossville mission	1	120	34	4	176	1	...	250	
5	Ooltewah circuit	2	185	11		70	1	...	550	
6	Trenton circuit	3	521	43	6	368	5	...	4,500	
7	Coal City and Aetna circuit	2	350	29	34	310	2	...	2,400	
8	Cleveland station	1	188		2	160	1	...	3,630	
9	Cleveland circuit.	1	327	21	5	189	8	...	5,640	
10	Charleston circuit	1	224	7	2	140	3	...	1,700	
11	Riceville circuit		274	10	4	200	7	...	2,100	
12	Athens station		76	2		161	1	...	4,000	
13	Athens circuit	2	230	12	2	135	4	1	3,400	
14	Sweetwater circuit.		180	1	1	145	4	1	11,600	
15	Decatur circuit	2	500	13	7	310	7	1	4,915	
Total		19	3905	287	86	43	3789	47	4	\$99,185
SEQUATCHEE DISTRICT.										
1	Jasper circuit	1	195	13	1	255	5	1	7,400	
2	Dunlap circuit	3	360	28		130	3	1	3,440	
3	South Pittsburg mission	1	197	70	3	160	4	...	1,200	
4	Pikeville circuit	1	194	9	5	150	5	1	18,600	
5	Grassy Cove mission	5	173		1	65	3	...	800	
6	Jamestown mission	1	81	3		8	2	1	808	
7	Kingston circuit	1	335		5	225	5	1	6,500	
8	Washington circuit	3	284	10	6	200	3	1	3,400	
9	Spring City circuit	1	292	38		217	3	1	6,000	
10	Hamilton circuit	1	267	21	2	265	3	1	800	
Total		18	2378	192	23	29	1675	36	8	\$48,948
ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.										
1	Asheville station	5	347	6	9	307	2	1	14,800	
2	Asheville City mission									
3	Weaverville circuit	6	531	7	5	304	5	2	15,630	
4	Swannanoa circuit		579	17	19	535	10	1	3,200	
5	Catawba circuit	2	534	13	26	260	9	...	2,575	
6	Hendersonville station		188	9	3	143	2	...	3,675	
7	Brevard circuit		340	38	11	264	3	...	5,665	
8	Sulphur Spring circuit	1	469	10	66	550	5	1	4,400	
9	Leicester circuit	3	375	6	23	380	5	1	6,525	
10	Spring Creek mission	5	411	9	10	311	5	...	875	
11	Burnsville circuit	2	441	11	15	200	5	...	2,000	
12	Bakersville station	1	195	9	12	164	1	...	2,500	
13	Tow River mission		285	35	12	294	3	...	600	
14	Blue Ridge mission		120	6	13	80	3	...	900	
Total		25	4815	176	224	62	3792	58	6	\$63,345

STATISTICS, 1885—Continued.

Number.	Charges.	Local Preachers.	Members.	BAP- TISMS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.		
				Adults.	Infants.	Number.	Scholars.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Value.
FRANKLIN DISTRICT.										
1	Franklin station.....	.....	155	17	11	1	103	1	2	\$6,600
2	Franklin circuit.....	2	313	11	.....	2	85	2	.....	700
3	Waynesville station.....	1	172	4	5	1	65	1	.....	5,300
4	Pigeon River circuit.....	3	372	9	14	6	423	5	.....	3,600
5	Haywood circuit.....	3	530	17	10	7	380	5	1	5,400
6	Webster circuit.....	1	374	20	.....	4	225	1	.....	3,000
7	Macon circuit.....	.....	518	31	29	8	325	7	1	4,700
8	Murphy circuit.....	2	363	56	.....	4	276	1	1	4,007
9	Hayesville circuit.....	4	420	41	7	5	352	4	1	3,000
20	Charleston and Echota mission.	3	396	13	1	4	200	3	1	1,265
11	Robbinsville mission.....	4	83	1	.....	1	70	2	.....	6 0
12	Casher's Valley mission.....	2	195	8	1	7	298	1	.....	1,227
13	Ducktown mission.....	2	108	8	1	1	50	3	.....	1,200
Total		27	3999	236	79	51	2852	36	7	\$40,599

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Number.	Districts.	Local Preachers.	Members.	BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.		
				Adults.	Infants.	Number.	Scholars.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Value.
1	Wytchville.....	56	7652	343	241	101	6135	76	9	\$113,190
2	Jeffersonville.....	49	5712	290	272	97	4698	65	8	75,800
3	Abingdon.....	40	5177	241	141	77	4866	62	9	255,200
4	Jonesboro.....	28	4659	252	113	50	2689	63	10	68,446
5	Morristown.....	25	4601	228	55	44	2419	76	9	63,375
6	Knoxville.....	21	4231	220	64	33	2201	59	6	101,125
7	Chattanooga.....	19	3905	287	86	43	3789	47	4	99,185
8	Sequatchee.....	18	2378	192	23	29	1675	36	8	48,948
9	Asheville.....	25	4815	176	224	62	3792	58	6	63,345
10	Franklin.....	27	3999	236	79	51	2852	36	7	40,599
Total		308	46529	2465	1298	587	35116	578	76	\$929,213
Last year		311	45057	1940	1217	591	33149	561	71	\$910,181
Increase .....		...	1472	525	81	...	1967	17	5	\$19,032
Decrease		3	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT, 1885.

Pastoral Charges.	SALARY OF PASTORS.		SALARY OF PRESID- ING ELDER.		Home Mis- sions.	Foreign Mis- sions.	Bishops fund.	Conference collection.	Woman's Mis- sionary So- ciety.
	Allowed.	Paid.	Allowed.	Paid.					
WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.									
Wytheville station.....	\$650 00	\$650 00	\$55 00	\$55 00	\$46 00	\$72 00	\$8 00	\$13 75	\$27 20
Wytheville circuit.....	500 00	415 00	85 00	42 00	20 00	52 00	8 00	18 00	.....
Marion station.....	500 00	442 01	50 00	44 20	56 25	96 00	8 00	27 50	43 61
Marion circuit.....	550 00	440 20	60 00	47 44	68 75	72 00	11 00	26 00	.....
Newbern circuit.....	800 00	747 91	60 00	56 00	55 00	77 41	13 00	30 00	.....
Central circuit.....	450 00	291 52	35 00	22 66	30 00	30 00	5 00	20 00	.....
Jacksonville circuit.....	300 00	258 69	25 00	21 55	10 00	61 25	6 00	10 00	.....
Hillsville circuit.....	260 00	138 67	25 00	13 33	.....	8 00	2 00	5 00	.....
Old Town circuit.....	215 00	148 72	35 00	24 23	4 00	11 71	1 00	2 00	.....
Elk Creek circuit.....	525 00	655 00	65 00	65 00	65 00	85 00	12 00	25 00	.....
Iron Mountain mission.....	20 00	16 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Independence circuit.....	400 00	229 06	50 00	35 58	35 00	50 00	5 00	10 00	8 30
Jefferson circuit.....	500 00	325 52	70 00	45 63	22 00	22 00	12 00	16 45	.....
Lead Mines circuit.....	550 00	467 46	75 00	64 70	51 68	84 93	5 00	8 18	.....
Mt. Airy circuit.....	500 00	385 00	45 00	39 00	25 00	96 25	9 00	25 00	.....
Sparta circuit.....	250 00	122 50	15 00	5 00	5 00	8 00	2 00	2 00	.....
Total	\$6,970 00	\$5,733 26	\$750 00	\$581 32	\$493 68	\$826 55	\$107 00	\$238 85	\$79 11
JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.									
Jeffersonville station.....	\$500 00	\$500 00	\$80 00	\$80 00	\$45 00	\$65 00	\$7 00	\$17 00	\$4 50
Liberty Hill circuit.....	515 00	375 00	65 00	38 43	17 00	21 00	7 00	12 50	.....
Cedar Bluff circuit	245 00	160 00	50 00	35 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	5 00	.....

Saltville circuit	600 00	310 00	100 00	51 00	20 00	.....	10 00	10 00	6 52
Sharon Springs circuit	420 00	182 06	60 00	26 77	15 00	17 80	4 00	10 00	.....
Seddon circuit	450 00	349 36	75 00	58 23	22 55	33 76	5 00	41 00	.....
Staffordsville circuit	400 00	419 28	75 00	78 45	44 50	70 06	7 00	22 00	.....
Pearlburg circuit	600 00	414 08	85 00	62 20	25 00	40 00	9 00	8 75	25 75
Princeton circuit	500 00	400 00	80 00	63 65	50 00	60 00	9 60	28 40	44 20
Concord circuit	400 00	186 03	60 00	27 87	14 00	10 00	5 00	.....	.....
East Tazewell circuit	550 00	402 08	80 00	57 82	25 00	45 00	9 60	28 00	.....
Buchanan mission	150 00	34 00	25 00	6 70	9 04	10 00	.....	.....	.....
McDowell mission	200 00	55 86	25 00	6 45	4 00	1 00	40	.....	.....
Blue Stone and Flat Top mission ..	175 00	84 93	25 00	12 15	9 04	10 00	3 00	7 80	.....
Poehontas mission	355 00	85 00	40 00	9 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....
Clear Fork circuit	400 00	175 00	55 00	26 00	10 00	20 00	4 00	10 00	.....
Total	\$6,366 00	\$4,132 68	\$980 00	\$639 72	\$325 13	\$418 62	\$84 10	\$206 45	\$80 97
ABINGDON DISTRICT.									
Abingdon station	\$600 00	\$604 00	\$85 00	\$85 00	\$62 00	\$108 17	\$10 75	\$34 00	\$185 50
Abingdon circuit	655 00	312 17	80 00	33 10	15 00	19 00	5 00	10 00	.....
Emory circuit	650 00	600 00	110 00	85 00	55 00	75 50	13 00	26 15	4 61
Bristol station	1,000 00	1,000 00	90 00	90 00	62 00	104 00	10 73	36 00	39 05
Bristol circuit	360 00	222 19	45 00	27 96	10 00	16 00	5 00	10 00	.....
Bristol City mission	300 00	300 00	20 00	20 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....
Mendota circuit	275 00	115 00	30 00	12 50	7 00	9 00	50	1 00	.....
Lebanon circuit	500 00	352 59	90 00	55 12	25 00	20 00	9 00	14 00	14 34
Elk Garden circuit	650 00	559 00	105 00	9 40	40 00	40 00	8 00	18 00	5 00
Dickinsonville circuit	450 00	365 05	100 00	77 32	45 00	65 00	10 75	17 25	.....
Gladeville circuit	320 00	236 13	40 00	29 39	27 00	8 00	4 05	.....	.....
Estelville circuit	500 00	199 20	90 00	33 04	18 35	30 15	8 50	5 50	.....
Clintwood mission	125 00	55 25	15 00	4 87	1 00	1 55	.....	.....	.....
Nickelsville circuit	200 00	133 00	15 00	9 10	1 75	1 00	1 00	.....	.....
Total	\$6,585 00	\$5,004 18	\$945 00	\$735 00	\$369 10	\$507 37	\$86 28	\$171 90	\$248 49

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT, 1885—Continued.

Pastoral Charges.	SALARY OF PASTORS.		SALARY OF PRESID- ING ELDER.		Home Mis- sions.	Foreign Mis- sions.	Bishops fund.	Conference collection.	Woman's Mis- sionary So- ciety.
	Allowed.	Paid.	Allowed.	Paid.					
JONESBORO DISTRICT.									
Jonesboro and Johnson City station	\$475 00	\$448 00	\$110 00	\$103 85	\$30 00	\$60 00	\$7 00	\$10 00	\$163 44
Jonesboro circuit.....	400 00	287 30	65 00	40 65	13 40	23 50	2 40	6 70	.....
Union circuit.....	390 00	252 16	55 00	36 02	17 20	20 45	5 00	6 00	.....
Blountville circuit.....	650 00	429 12	100 00	63 70	28 00	70 00	9 88	16 95	.....
Kingsport circuit.....	450 00	300 00	60 00	35 30	10 00	12 00	3 00	6 00	.....
Rogersville circuit.....	400 00	295 00	65 00	44 43	28 05	48 35	7 00	15 00	.....
Greeneville circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	15 00	4 00	6 00	48 33
Rheatown circuit.....	600 00	400 00	100 00	68 10	40 00	68 00	10 00	17 00	.....
Fall Branch circuit.....	255 00	220 93	40 00	32 84	15 00	25 00	2 00	3 00	.....
Taylorsville mission.....	200 00	140 65	30 00	21 04	2 00	5 00	2 00	2 50	.....
Wautauga circuit.....	450 00	296 10	65 00	42 79	22 00	25 37	10 00	15 00	.....
Erwin mission.....	100 00	117 85	15 00	17 75	.....	6 08	75	2 00	.....
Elizabethon and Cranberry mis...	250 00	135 00	35 00	21 00	1 00	1 35	.....	.....	.....
Total	\$4,620 00	\$3,322 61	\$740 00	\$523 37	\$206.65	\$380 10	\$63 03	\$106 15	\$211 79
MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.									
Morristown station.....	\$600 00	\$400 00	\$100 00	\$65 94	\$16 00	\$100 00	\$12 00	\$15 00	\$103 66
Morristown circuit.....	500 00	315 78	75 00	47 33	15 00	25 00	9 00	9 00	.....
Mossy Creek station.....	300 00	220 76	40 00	32 37	10 60	14 00	4 80	2 44	12 00
Rutledge circuit.....	460 00	312 83	75 00	49 74	20 00	30 00	9 00	10 00	.....
Tazewell circuit.....	300 00	151 40	65 00	33 84	2 25	20 15	7 68	4 00	.....
Powell's Valley circuit.....	500 00	338 40	100 00	67 67	17 00	14 00	12 00	4 00	.....
Sneedville mission.....	170 00	42 30	30 00	7 19	.....	5 15	3 60	.....	.....
Jonesville circuit.....	575 00	445 06	115 00	88 00	29 00	20 17	9 00	15 15	.....

Rye Cove circuit.....	400 00	234 75	100 00	56 10	6 00	10 00	12 00	2 00	.....
Newport circuit.....	420 00	295 00	70 00	49 47	9 50	20 00	8 36	8 75	.....
St. Clair circuit.....	500 00	254 22	70 00	35 58	15 00	15 35	8 35	.....	.....
Strawberry Plains circuit.....	400 00	275 25	80 00	55 00	12 50	12 50	9 00	8 00	.....
Total	\$4,525 00	\$3,282 76	\$820 00	\$589 17	\$152 85	\$286 17	\$104 79	\$78 34	\$115 66
KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.									
Knoxville—Church street	1,500 00	\$1,500 00	\$129 47	\$179 47	135 15	185 00	15 00	\$55 00	\$173 45
Knoxville—Broad street	1,000 00	1,000 00	114 80	134 20	70 00	120 00	11 15	35 10	86 00
Knoxville—City mission	100 00	188 31	4 48	.....	2 48	4 24	44	1 41	.....
Knoxville circuit.....	350 00	193 85	56 17	31 49	10 00	15 00	5 45	6 00	.....
Sevierville circuit.....	417 00	272 09	83 40	54 32	12 50	14 50	7 78	9 00	.....
Jacksboro circuit.....	405 00	293 85	54 00	39 18	23 00	32 00	3 50	12 00	.....
Andersonville circuit	300 00	125 00	103 95	33 52	9 00	4 00	5 00	4 31	.....
Clinton circuit.....	450 00	268 00	85 36	49 25	17 00	15 00	3 00	7 00	.....
Lenoir circuit	550 00	342 00	59 78	38 66	22 00	30 00	5 80	18 27	.....
Loudon and Philadelphia circuit.....	500 00	329 29	76 86	50 71	20 00	37 00	7 00	14 00	6 47
Maryville circuit.....	500 00	385 00	84 80	34 78	10 00	10 00	3 60	8 90	.....
Madisonville circuit	450 00	217 00	110 50	53 74	16 00	10 00	4 00	8 00	.....
Eleazer mission.....	300 00	202 90	44 98	33 75	5 90	65	.....	.....	.....
Total	\$6,822 00	\$5,317 29	\$1,008 65	\$733 07	\$353 03	\$477 39	\$71 72	\$178 99	\$265 92
SEQUATCHIE DISTRICT.									
Jasper station	400 00	\$400 00	\$75 00	\$75 00	30 00	30 00	5 00	20 15	\$27 75
Dunlap circuit.....	275 00	200 00	65 00	46 60	15 00	20 00	5 00	10 50	.....
South Pittsburg mission.....	150 00	153 00	25 00	25 00	12 00	8 00	4 00	6 00	.....
Pikeville circuit.....	425 00	292 95	75 00	51 85	24 40	37 00	4 40	21 00	.....
Grassy Cove mission.....	150 00	49 25	35 00	11 50	3 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	.....
Jamestown mission.....	85 00	46 05	20 00	12 75	7 50	10 00	2 00	2 90	.....
Kingston circuit	500 00	350 00	75 00	55 00	30 00	55 00	7 00	10 00	.....
Washington circuit.....	500 00	400 00	70 00	56 00	15 00	28 00	5 00	16 00	.....
Spring City circuit	400 00	280 00	60 00	40 00	20 00	40 00	5 00	9 00	.....
Hamilton circuit.....	250 00	153 25	50 00	32 63	15 00	25 00	5 00	.....	.....
Total	\$3,135 00	\$2,304 95	\$550 00	\$406 32	\$172 90	\$302 00	\$44 40	\$97 55	\$27 75

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT, 1885—Continued.

Pastoral Charges.	SALARY OF PASTORS.		SALARY OF PRESID- ING ELDER.		Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Bishops Fund.	Conference collec- tion.	Woman's Mission- ary Society.
	Allowed.	Paid.	Allowed.	Paid.					
CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.									
Chattanooga—Market street.....	\$1,200 00	\$1,200 00	\$220 00	\$220 00	\$95 00	\$150 00	\$18 00	\$50 00	\$118 10
Chattanooga—Whiteside street....	550 00	514 19	70 00	64 96	40 00	51 00	8 02	20 00	.....
Chattanooga—Cherry street	200 00	189 00	25 00	23 60	7 33	15 66	1 50	.....	.....
Rossville mission	250 00	252 21	45 00	45 79	20 00	30 00	5 00	10 00	.....
Ooltewah circuit.....	350 00	208 00	55 00	30 18	10 00	9 00	3 00	4 00	.....
Trenton circuit	400 00	270 85	65 00	44 00	28 00	45 00	6 00	14 00	.....
Coal City and Aetna circuit.....	400 00	400 00	50 00	50 00	25 00	35 00	5 00	12 00	.....
Cleveland station	720 00	720 00	110 00	110 00	40 00	50 00	8 00	20 00	44 70
Cleveland circuit.....	250 00	140 05	30 00	19 45	4 00	8 00	2 00	2 15	.....
Charleston circuit.....	400 00	400 00	65 00	65 00	28 00	34 70	6 00	20 00	.....
Riceville circuit.....	300 00	108 84	40 00	15 52	5 35	5 35	.....	.....	.....
Athens station.....	600 00	354 83	60 00	35 50	9 00	30 00	6 00	7 00	27 15
Athens circuit	200 00	85 00	40 00	16 00	12 00	8 00	3 00	5 00	.....
Sweetwater circuit	425 00	404 00	80 00	76 00	22 00	42 00	7 00	16 00	7 50
Decatur circuit	450 00	438 00	100 00	89 50	31 00	36 66	5 25	5 41	.....
Total	\$6,595 00	\$5,684 97	\$1,055 00	\$905 50	\$376 68	\$550 37	\$83 77	\$185 56	\$197 45
ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.									
Asheville station	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00	\$160 00	\$160 00	\$121 00	\$205 00	\$20 25	\$51 91	\$669 22

Asheville City mission	600 00	404 19	90 00	60 59	35 17	57 10	8 00	13 40	19 32
W. averville circuit	400 00	206 50	75 00	38 65	10 00	10 30	9 40	5 00	.....
Sw. hanna circuit	400 00	307 24	55 00	42 25	15 00	25 00	6 65	11 00	.....
Catawba circuit	300 00	209 88	65 00	44 62	20 00	45 00	3 00	8 25	.....
Hendersonville station	300 00	302 28	55 00	55 32	25 00	60 10	6 63	16 60	.....
Irevard circuit	300 00	209 88	65 00	44 69	20 00	30 00	5 00	5 00	6 50
Sulphur Springs circuit	340 00	177 40	60 00	32 70	10 00	15 00	7 60	1 00	8 15
Leicester circuit	250 00	75 00	40 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spring Creek mission	300 00	259 00	60 00	50 82	10 13	11 00	4 25	11 25	.....
Burnsville circuit	450 00	218 17	55 00	26 31	20 00	40 00	.....	16 00	57 15
Bakersville station	150 00	150 00	20 00	20 00	11 50	24 68	2 41	7 15	.....
Toe River mission	130 00	74 92	30 00	17 75	8 00	10 50	1 50	3 00	.....
Blue Ridge mission .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	\$4 920 00	\$3,595 00	\$830 00	\$608 70	305 90	\$533 68	\$74 69	\$149 56	\$892 34
FRANKLIN DISTRICT.									
Franklin station	\$215 00	\$215 00	\$35 00	\$35 00	\$30 00	\$55 00	\$5 00	\$10 00	\$74 75
Franklin circuit	220 00	90 00	30 00	15 00	2 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	3 25
Waynesville station	500 00	509 00	55 00	55 00	20 00	55 00	6 00	10 75	16 50
Pigeon River circuit	300 00	162 25	50 00	20 80	18 00	18 10	4 10	5 40	.....
Haywood circuit	340 00	206 51	52 00	31 55	10 00	10 00	1 00	2 00	.....
Webster circuit	275 00	200 00	52 00	37 55	10 00	10 00	4 00	10 00	.....
Macon circuit	355 00	309 01	55 00	40 61	29 00	31 50	4 00	14 25	.....
Murphy circuit	290 00	224 98	54 00	28 12	5 00	.....	.....	6 55	.....
Hayesville circuit	340 00	193 19	55 00	27 75	16 42	21 04	2 00	7 75	.....
Charleston and Echota mission	250 00	167 89	25 00	15 84	18 00	17 00	2 00	5 00	.....
R binsville mission	100 00	25 00	50 00	15 00	50	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Cashier's Valley mission	140 00	61 47	20 00	9 21	12 00	14 00	1 00	5 00	.....
Ducktown mission	150 00	81 00	50 00	20 00	9 00	9 00	1 40	2 00	.....
Total	\$3,475 00	\$2,436 30	\$578 00	\$357 43	\$179 92	\$247 24	\$31 75	\$72 65	\$94 50

RECAPITULATION.

Districts.	SALARIES OF PASTORS.		SALARIES OF PRESID- ING ELDERS.		Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Bishops Fund.	Conference collec- tion.	Woman's Mission- ary Society.
	Allowed.	Paid.	Allowed.	Paid.					
Wytheville.....	\$6,970 00	\$5,733 26	\$750 00	\$581 32	\$493 68	\$826 55	\$107 00	\$238 85	\$79 11
Jeffersonville.....	6,366 00	4,132 68	980 00	639 72	325 13	418 62	84 10	206 45	80 97
Abingdon.....	6,585 00	5,004 18	945 00	735 00	309 10	507 37	86 28	171 90	248 49
Jonesboro.....	4,620 00	3,322 61	740 00	523 37	206 65	380 10	63 03	106 15	211 79
Morristown.....	4,525 00	3,282 76	820 00	589 17	152 85	286 17	104 79	78 34	115 66
Knoxville.....	6,822 00	5,317 29	1,008 65	681 07	353 03	477 39	71 72	178 90	265 92
Sequatchee.....	3,135 00	2,304 95	550 00	406 32	172 00	302 00	44 40	97 55	27 75
Chattanooga.....	6,595 00	5,684 97	1,055 00	905 50	376 68	550 37	83 77	185 56	197 45
Asheville.....	4,920 00	3,595 00	830 00	608 70	305 90	533 68	74 69	149 56	892 34
Franklin.....	3,475 00	2,436 30	578 00	357 43	179 92	247 24	31 75	72 65	94 50
Miscellaneous.....									128 34
Total.....	\$54,013 00	\$40,814 00	\$8,226 65	\$6,027 60	\$2,935 84	\$4,529 49	\$751 53	\$1,486 00	\$2,342 42

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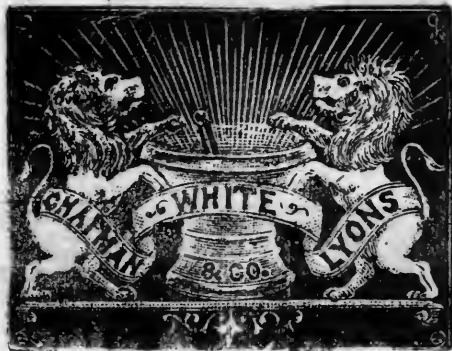
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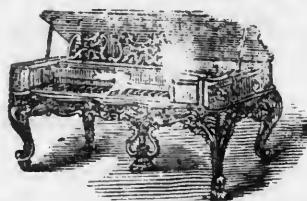
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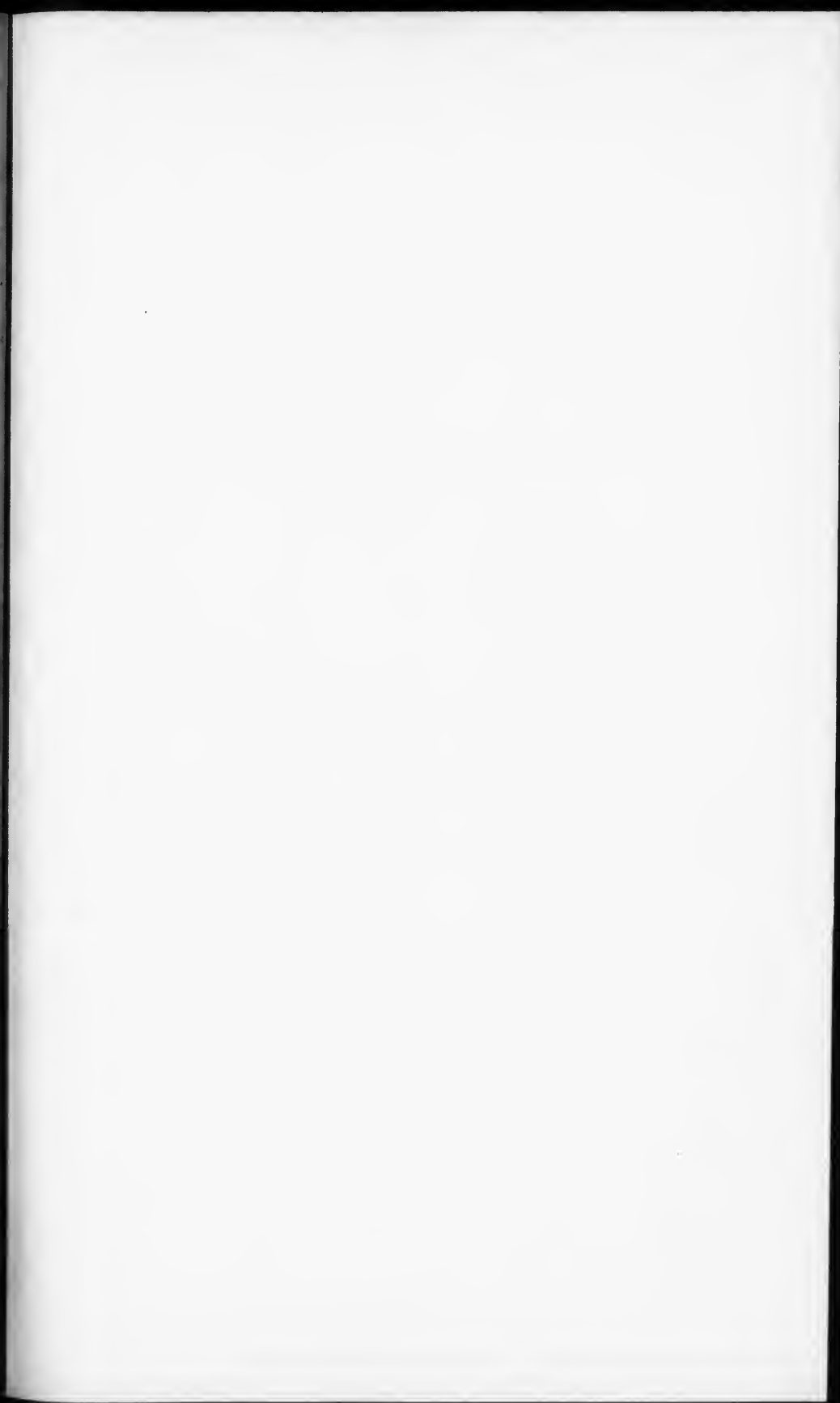
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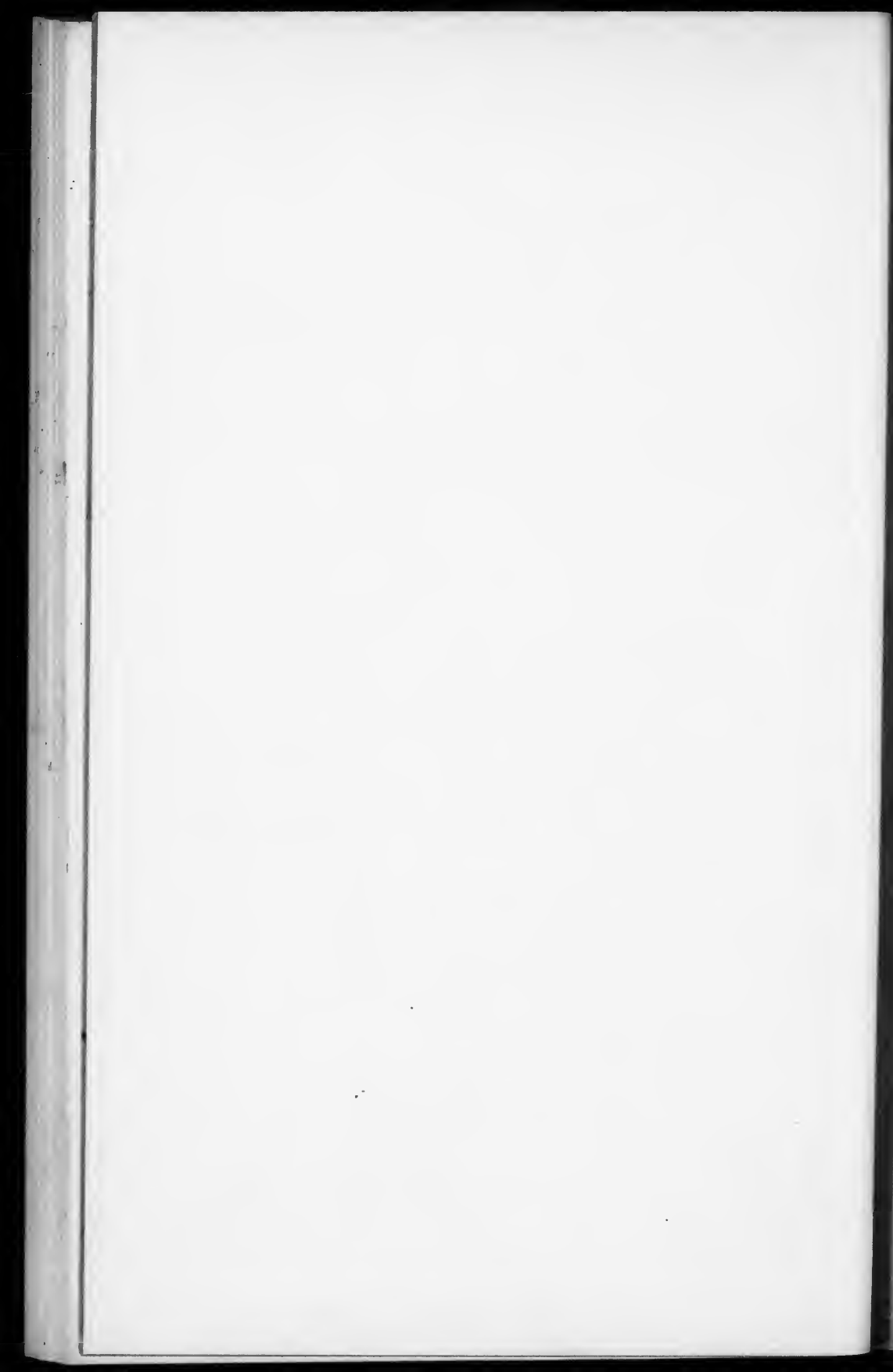
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